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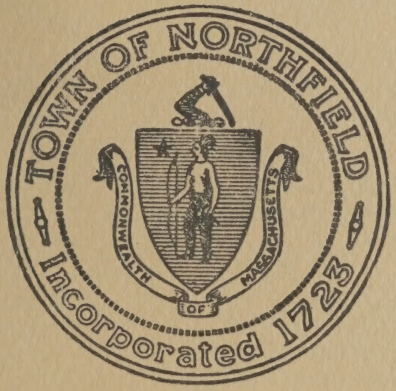

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TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator

Edgar J. Livingston

Town Clerk

Horace F. Field

Town Treasurer

Charles F. Slate

Selectmen

William M. Marshall, Chmn.	Term Expires February 1956
Robert P. Barnes	Term Expires February 1957
Wallace E. Stange	Term Expires February 1958

Assessors

Clifford A. Field, Chmn.	Term Expires February 1956
Winthrop E. Spencer	Term Expires February 1957
Lee H. Sheldon	Term Expires February 1958

Tax Collector

Roy J. Fish	Term Expires February 1956

School Committee

Irving J. Lawrence	Term Expires February 1956
Roy J. Fish, Chmn.	Term Expires February 1957
Evelyn U. True	Term Expires February 1958

Library Trustees

Louise M. Reeves	Term Expires February 1956
Luman A. Barber	Term Expires February 1956
Lillian G. Wells	Term Expires February 1957
Winthrop W. Sanderson	Term Expires February 1957
Jean P. Hathaway	Term Expires February 1958
Horace Henry Morse	Term Expires February 1958

Cemetery Commissioners

David G. Quinn	Term Expires February 1956
Murray M. Hammond	Term Expires February 1957
Carlton W. Holton	Term Expires February 1958

Tree Warden

Kenneth L. Miller	Term Expires February 1956

Constables

Paul E. Chamberlin	Term Expires February 1956
Joseph G. Morgan	Term Expires February 1956
Niles E. Stone	Term Expires February 1956
Murray M. Hammond—Farms Resident	Term Expires February 1956

Planning Board

Fred A. Holton	Term Expires February 1956
F. Wilton Dean	Term Expires February 1957
George M. Leonard	Term Expires February 1958
L. Percy Goodspeed	Term Expires February 1959
Gordon C. Buffum	Term Expires February 1960

Pioneer Valley Regional School District Committee

Irving J. Lawrence	Term Expires February 1956
Robert P. Barnes	Term Expires February 1957
Walla M. Stearns	Term Expires February 1958

Accountant

Helen M. Stearns — Term Expires July 1958

Chief of Fire Department

Floyd M. Dunnell, Jr. — Term Expires 1956

Forest Fire Warden

Dwight P. Stearns — Term Expires 1956

Deputy Fire Wardens for 1955

Floyd M. Dunnell, Jr.
Howard Williams
Philip Mann, Jr.
Gilbert Stacy
Winthrop W. Sanderson

Superintendent of Roads

Kenneth L. Miller — Term Expires April 1956

Gypsy Moth Agent

Joseph S. Bilmon — Term Expires 1956

Public Weighers for 1955

F. Myron Dunnell
George O. Dunnell
Floyd M. Dunnell, Jr.
Leon H. Dunnell
Fred B. Kelley
Frank F. Kelley
Clarence Spaulding
Deane Williams
Roy A. Barrows

Inspector of Meat and Slaughtering for 1955

Leroy R. Barnes

Sealer of Weights and Measures for 1955

Warren A. Randall

Cattle Inspector

Gilbert S. Hammond — Term Expires April 1956

Fence Viewers for 1955

Luckey O. Clapp — Carlton W. Holton
Eugene F. Hammond — Laurence M. Hammond

Surveyors of Wood and Timber for 1955

James E. Dresser — Fred I. Bolton

Field Drivers for 1955

Edward M. Powell, Jr. — Robert L. Gibson

Dog Officer for 1955

Robert L. Gibson

Pound Keeper for 1955

Robert L. Gibson

Registrars of Voters

Laurence M. Hammond, Chmn.	Term Expires 1956
Edward F. Hurley	Term Expires 1957
Charles D. Streeter	Term Expires 1958

Horace F. Field — Clerk

Finance Committee

Roger M. Greenwood, Chmn.	Term Expires February 1956
Norman F. Fowler	Term Expires February 1956
Fred I. Bolton	Term Expires February 1957
George W. Carr	Term Expires February 1957
Mildred E. Addison	Term Expires February 1958
Mark B. Aldrich	Term Expires February 1958

Forest Warden for 1955

Joseph S. Bilmon

Election Officers for 1955

James R. Dale — Helen M. Stearns
Katherine E. Callaghan — Ralph B. Holton
Flora C. Abbey — Frank W. Anderson
Edna Bistrek — Daisy R. Holton

Substitute Election Officers for 1955

Willis K. Parker — Helen Greene
Harrison G. Stacy — Mary G. Parker

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

The Selectmen announce the completion of the following projects as authorized by the 1955 Annual Town Meeting and Special Town Meetings of June 21st.

The purchase of a front end loader and used motor grader as authorized under Article 27 has speeded up and increased the efficiency of the Highway Dept. Much more has been done this year than would have been possible without this equipment. A new Ford truck was purchased to replace the old one as authorized by vote in the Special Town Meeting of June 21, 1955. A chain saw purchased for the Highway Department and Tree Warden has had a great deal of service and helped to complete much needed tree work.

The flash flood of June 21, 1955, necessitated that Chapter 81 Maintenance work was mostly confined to repairing the storm damage which was severest on Gulf Road and Wright Hill Road. The Highway Department deserves our appreciation for putting these roads in passable condition with a minimum of delay. The State contributed $8,000 toward the expense of repairing the storm damage. This was a big help but was not enough to put the roads back in their original condition.

This year we are asking for a 50% increase in Chapter 90 construction funds in order to surface as much of the Gulf Road Hill as possible to prevent a recurrence of the flood damage. This means the work would start at Maple St. and go as far as possible with the funds allowed. This project has been approved by State and County.

Drainage and filling and grading have been completed on East Street. Surface treatment should be completed in 1956.

The Perambulation of the Town Bounds as required by Chapter 42, Section 2 of the General Laws was started in early spring and completed late in December. All bounds are in place except No. 10 bound stone between Northfield and Gill and No. 2 bound stone between Northfield and Erving. These bounds must be surveyed and stones set as required by law, the cost to be divided equally between the adjoining Towns.

The following is an accounting of Chapter 81 expenditures for 1955.

1.	Warwick Avenue	$ 182.92
2.	Warwick Road	266.70
3.	Commonwealth Avenue	116.35
4.	Gulf or Erving Road	4,295.17
5.	Murdock Hill Road	449.79

6.	Swamp Road	0.00
7.	Orange Road	665.41
8.	Mt. Hermon Station Road	335.88
9.	East Northfield Br. Road	0.00
10.	East Northfield Road	542.45
11.	Pine Street	24.00
12.	Winchester Road	957.59
13.	Pearson Road	48.95
14.	Wanamaker Road	0.00
15.	Ashuelot Road	103.95
16.	Moody Street	46.24
17.	Birnam Road	217.68
18.	Holton Street	0.00
19.	Highland Avenue	61.20
20.	Caldwell Road	455.54
21.	River Road	275.27
22.	Randall Road	152.03
23.	Vernon Road	64.18
24.	Parker Street	624.25
25.	Great Meadow Road	438.61
26.	Meadow Street	316.72
27.	Bridge Street	24.00
28.	Mill Street	0.00
29.	School Street	265.60
30.	St. Mary Street	0.00
31.	Alexander Hill or Ober Mt. Road	897.00
32.	Pratt Meadow Road	0.00
33.	Maple Street	656.44
34.	Beers Plain Road	1,471.93
35.	New Road	219.96
36.	Old Wendell Road	1,660.28
37.	Lyman Road	75.05
38.	Lucky Clapp Road	110.06
39.	So. Mountain Road	2,863.02
40.	Fisher Road	16.00
41.	Four Mile Brook Road	481.69
42.	Gill Road	0.00
43.	Pine Meadow Road	832.85
44.	Branch Roads (2)	316.80
45.	Now State Highway	0.00
46.	Cross Road	0.00
47.	East Street	0.00
48.	Northfield Farm Road	165.26
49.	Sturbridge Road	0.00
50.	Dickinson Street	16.00
51.	Bennett Brook Road	395.71
52.	Glenwood Avenue	89.28

53.	Munn's Ferry Road	93.20
54.	Myrtle Street	27.20
55.	North Lane	63.20
56.	Aldrich Street	0.00
57.	Howard Street	0.00
58.	Prospect Hill Road	0.00
59.	Slate Road	17.20
60.	Jewett Road	0.00
61.	Gerrish Road	41.60
62.	South Mt. Br. Road	112.35
63.	Linden Avenue	64.47
64.	Adams Road	25.20
65.	Holly Avenue	35.53
66.	Woodruff Road	46.40
67.	Old Ferry Road	25.20
		$22,749.36

Allotments

State $17,875.00 Town $4,875.00 Total $22,750.00

A full report of the several departments will be found on the following pages.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM M. MARSHALL, Chairman
ROBERT P. BARNES
WALLACE E. STANGE

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

It is extremely important that the Vital Statistics record be complete and correct. If any errors or omissions are discovered the Clerk will deem it a favor to have them reported at once so that corrections may be made.

As required by Chapter 46, Section 15, General Laws of Massachusetts:

Notice is hereby given that the Town Clerk will furnish blanks for returns of births to parents, householders, physicians, and registered hospital officers applying for the same.

Births Recorded in 1955

Date	*Name*	*Parents*
January		
7	Plotczyk, Linda Louise	Valentine P. and Esther J.
8	Gibson, Susan Alice	Robert L. and Verna R.
21	Mroczek, Dianne Edna	John A. and Erma I.
23	Barber, Julie	Julian S. and Helen V.
25	Wood, Robert Alan	Earl J. and Marjorie G.
28	Tillson, Shauna Ann	Raymond A. and Madgemarie P.
February		
2	Hutchins, Gay Louisa	Russell C. and Joyce H.
19	Burnor, Michael Harold	Raymond F. and Patricia E.
March		
11	Scholar, Samuel Alfred	John and Flora M.
17	Potter, Donna Lee	William W. and Phyllis R.
25	Babbitt, Infant (Stillborn—F.)	Elwood D. and Emily S.
April		
9	Livingstone, Betty Ann	Robert D. and Dorothy L.
12	Hudson, Russell Gardiner	Gardiner R. and Mildred E.
27	Silvonic, Gary Francis	Raymond and Norma E.
May		
12	Savage, Jerry Victor	Franklin D. and Sandra L.
24	Spencer, Douglas Albert	Ross L., Jr., and Carolyn M.
31	Morgan, Douglas Edward	James H. and Dorothy L.
June		
17	Johnson, Charles William	Charles H., Jr., and Dorena M.
25	Closson, Jeanne Alice	Eugene E. and Mildred I.
27	Thompson, Cynthia Gail	Robert T. and Florence A.
July		
4	Butler, Bruce Michael	William O. and Ruth J.
18	Black, Wanda Pearl	John H. and Sacca L.
August		
8	Shearer, Ruth Lynne	Robert B. and Margaret A.
September		
12	Forrest, David John	William L. and Marguerite V.
28	Randall, Nancy Ann	Lawrence H. and Lois M.
October		
4	Andrew, James Philip	William G. and Barbara J.
13	Williams, Wendy Leigh	Earl R. and Edith E.
21	Call, Deborah Ann	Howard B. and Theresa E.

Date	*Name*	*Parents*
November		
1—	Billings, Donald Malcolm	Wayne R. and Gloria M.
—	LaForce, Kathy Camille	Robert A. and Joyce C.
5—	Remillard, Jeffrey Robert	Robert G. and Mary A.
8—	Winship, Elaine Marie	Ronald W. and Joan A.
26—	Rockwell, Daniel Frank	Frank J. and Theresa A.
29—	Welch, George Henry	George C. and Anita L.
December		
6—	Gorzocoski, Joy Marie	Stanley P. and Helen E.
10—	Stone, Carl James, Jr.	Carl J. and Gloria J.
17—	Taylor, Robin Dee	Maurice W. and Elisabeth H.

Marriages Recorded in 1955

Date	*Name*	*Residence*	*Place of Marriage*
January			
22—	Wilder, Perry Marshall	Colrain, Mass.	
	Huber, Evelyn June Johnson	Northfield	Northfield
February			
10—	McCullaugh, Robert Carlton	Hinsdale, N. H.	
	Graves, Mary Katherine Madau	Brattleboro, Vt.	Northfield
13—	Barnes, Leslie Harold	Orange, Mass.	
	Carpenter, Madeline Lucille	Northfield	Northfield
19—	Thayer, Donald Leroy	Athol, Mass.	
	Moore, Ruth Josephine	Northfield	Athol, Mass.
26—	Shatney, Clarence P., Jr.	Brattleboro, Vt.	
	Black, Louise F.	Northfield	Brattleboro, Vt.
March			
19—	Rawson, Joseph Silas	Northfield	
	Edelle, Ethel Alice Reilly	Melrose, Mass.	Northfield
26—	Whitney, Robert Eugene	Northfield	
	Haselton, Editha Mae	Greenfield, Mass.	Greenfield, Mass.

Date	*Name*	*Residence*	*Place of Marriage*
June			
25—	Zika, Bohumil	Northfield	
	Potts, Leta May Severance	Greenfield, Mass.	
			Greenfield, Mass.
July			
2—	Burdick, Ralph Edward	Griswoldville, Mass.	
	Andrew, Christine Ruth	Northfield	
			Northfield
17—	Bashaw, David Leon	Charlestown, N. H.	
	Clark, Annette Ernestine	Northfield	
			Northfield
August			
3—	McVeigh, Frederick Samuel	Gill, Mass.	
	Adams, Phyllis Berrian	Northfield	
			Gill, Mass.
13—	Fortier, Edward Lewis	Three Rivers, Mass.	
	Wood, Alice Ethel	Northfield	
			Northfield
15—	Studer, Arnold	Northfield Farms	
	Smead, Mabel Rose Wilcox	Northfield Farms	
			Northfield
25—	Lamothe, Paul Armand	Newport, N. H.	
	Kirk, Anne Howard	Keene, N. H.	
			Northfield
September			
2—	Herzig, Herman D.	Colrain, Mass.	
	Clark, Ethel E.	Buckland, Mass.	
			Northfield
2—	Leyden, John Thomas	Flushing, N. Y.	
	Bolton, Beverly Ann	Northfield	
			Ulm, Wuerttemberg, Germany
3—	Hicks, Gerald Charles	West Northfield	
	Holden, Evelyn Louise	Gill, Mass.	
			Bernardston, Mass.
10—	Snow, Donald Turnbull	Springfield, Mass.	
	Jewett, Doris Drescher	Northfield	
			Northfield
17—	Taylor, Maurice Walter	Brattleboro, Vt.	
	Holton, Elizabeth Virginia	Northfield	
			Northfield
October			
14—	Knapp, Alvah Lucius	Keene, N. H.	
	Chaffee, Pauline Edith Hewins	Keene, N. H.	
			Northfield

? No original Record

29 marriages o mention

Date	*Name*	*Residence*	*Place of Marriage*
15—	Ford, John Joseph	Springfield, Mass.	
	Gorzocoski, Olga	Northfield	
			Northfield
15—	Brown, Charles E.	Medford, Mass.	
	Hale, Carolyn L.	Lynn, Mass.	
			Northfield
18—	Welch, George Carlos	South Rygate, Vt.	
	Cowan, Anita Louise	No. Haverhill, Vt.	
			Northfield
21—	Kenney, Ransom Chester	Northfield	
	Moore, Bonita Lorraine	Turners Falls, Mass.	
November			Keene, N. H.
19—	Walker, William Cottle, Jr.	Northfield	
	Cregar, Barbara Ann	Northfield	
			Northfield
21—	Stafford, David Tew	Scotia, N. Y.	
	Stevens, Elizabeth Ann	Rexford, N. Y.	
			Northfield
December			
16—	Root, Warren Nelson	Bernardston, Mass.	
	Sheldon, Ruth Elizabeth	Northfield	
			Northfield
22—	Ryder, James Donald	Northfield	
	Renfrew, Ellen Louise	Greenfield, Mass.	
			Greenfield, Mass.
27—	Barrows, Ralph Edward	Northfield	
	Rischitelli, Barbara Ann	Southbridge, Mass.	
			Southbridge, Mass.

Deaths Recorded in 1955

Date	*Name*	*Age - Years*	*Months*	*Days*
January				
5—	Ross, Joseph Edward	77	9	17
16—	Leighton, Helen E. Donaldson	68	8	0
February				
10—	Harrison, Richard	69	11	30
28—	Williams, Catherine Herron	46	0	19

Date *Name*	*Age - Years*	*Months*	*Days*
March			
9—DesJardins, Wesley H.	76	7	5
12—Holton, Julia Hausman	82	7	20
13—Griggs, Lucy Wilkins	72	6	25
25—Babbitt, Infant	—	—	—
April			
4—Day, Emily Baylis	95	10	24
7—Turner, Edith M. Gilman	71	10	19
15—Honold, Johanna K.	78	0	21
16—Clark, Albert	84	7	2
27—Hennion, Leah E.	61	1	1
May			
8—Haskell, Carrie Josephine Scoville	73	3	12
13—Bolton, Arthur	71		
20—Doolittle, Oler Densmore	78	7	21
June			
4—Morgan, Douglas Edward	—	—	5
21—Dollard, Bridget Margaret Callaghan	85	0	5
29—Seeley, Herbert Falkland	65	2	10
July			
6—Repeta, Aniela Smolen	66	3	21
23—Pratt, Clara Houghton	84	10	2
August			
6—Goetz, Joseph	83	5	3
21—Everett, George Swazey	82	2	17
September			
22—True, Annie S.	89	1	10
27—Skilton, Helen Scranton	64	10	20
October			
7—Shearer, Rollin Erving	76	9	6
November			
7—Black, James J.	81	5	20
16—Sutherland, Sinclair MacLean	71	1	28
27—Urgielewicz, Benigna Anna Szestowicki	72	3	14
29—Doolittle, Fred Hartwell	81	5	8
December			
3—Irish, Fred Atwood	80	2	2
18—Cook, Iantha	99	11	16
25—Cooper, Lawrence Harris	69	9	6

Dogs Licensed in 1955

Male Dogs	175
Female	20
Female (Spayed)	91
Special Kennel ($10)	9
	295

Sporting Licenses Issued in 1955

Resident Fishing	79
Resident Hunting	96
Resident Sporting	80
Resident Minor Fishing	28
Resident Women's Fishing	39
Special Non-Resident Fishing	10
Non-Resident Fishing	17
Non-Resident Minor Fishing	1
Resident Alien Fishing	1
Resident Trapping	0
Non-Resident Hunting	9
Non-Resident Sporting	0
Resident Sporting (Free)	28
Duplicate	2
Old Age Fishing	2
	392

Other Licenses and Permits Issued in 1955

Alcohol	2
Auctioneer	2
Auctioneer (Temporary)	1
Common Victualer	7
Gasoline	23
Innkeeper	2
Junk	1
Milk	6
Oleomargarine	3
Pistol	22
	69

Copy of the Votes taken at the Annual Election held in Northfield, Mass., February 7, 1955

The polls were opened at ten o'clock A.M., and closed at eight o'clock P.M.

Four hundred and thirty-eight ballots were cast for Town Officers with the following results:

Town Clerk, 1 year		
Josephine S. Haskell	Four hundred fourteen	414
Blanks	Twenty-four	24
Town Treasurer, 1 year		
Charles F. Slate	Four hundred sixteen	416
Blanks	Twenty-two	22
Selectman, 3 years		
Wallace E. Stange	Three hundred seventy-four	374
E. Parker	One	1
Blanks	Sixty-three	63
Assessor, 3 years		
Lee H. Sheldon	Three hundred ninety-eight	398
Blanks	Forty	40
Moderator, 1 year		
Edgar J. Livingston	Three hundred ninety	390
Blanks	Forty-eight	48
School Committee, 3 years		
Evelyn U. True	Three hundred fifty-four	354
George Dunnell	One	1
Blanks	Eighty-three	83
Cemetery Commissioner, 3 years		
Carlton W. Holton	Three hundred ninety-nine	399
Blanks	Thirty-nine	39
Library Trustees, 3 years		
Horace Henry Morse	Three hundred twenty-eight	328
Jean P. Hatheway	Two hundred sixty-five	265
Elizabeth M. Spencer	One hundred seventy-five	175
G. Leavis	One	1
Blanks	One hundred seven	107
Tree Warden, 1 year		
Orrin A. Carey	One hundred seventy-one	171
Kenneth L. Miller	Three hundred forty-eight	348
Blanks	Nineteen	19
Tax Collector, 1 year		
Roy J. Fish	Three hundred ninety-three	393
Blanks	Forty-five	45
Constables, 1 year		
Paul E. Chamberlin	Four hundred three	403
Joseph G. Morgan	Three hundred ninety-four	394
Niles E. Stone	Four hundred three	403
Tom Russell, Jr.	One	1
Blanks	One hundred thirteen	113

Constable, resident Northfield Farms, 1 year		
Murray M. Hammond	Four hundred five	405
Blanks	Thirty-three	33
Planning Board, 5 years		
Gordon C. Buffum	Three hundred ninety-six	396
Blanks	Forty-two	42
Pioneer Valley Regional School District Committee, 3 years		
Walla M. Stearns	Three hundred sixty-five	365
P. Porter	One	1
Blanks	Seventy-two	72
Pioneer Valley Regional School District Committee, 2 years		
Robert P. Barnes	Three hundred sixty-three	363
Ellwyn E. Miller	One	1
G. O. Dunnell	One	1
Blanks	Seventy-three	73

After the announcement of the results, the meeting was closed to be reopened on Tuesday, February 8, 1955 at 7 o'clock in accordance with the foregoing warrant.

Town Clerk.

Copy of the Votes taken February 8, 1955 on the Articles in Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting.

Article 1. As it was stated by the Moderator that no action need be taken on the reports as printed in the Town Report, no action was taken under this Article.

Article 2. Voted: To authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1955, and to issue a note or notes thereof, payable within one year, and to renew such notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws; any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1955.

Article 3. Voted: To empower the Selectmen to defend the Town in any suit brought against the Town.

Article 4. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $150.00 for the use of the Library at Northfield Farms.

Article 5. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $600.00 to be used by the Tree Warden in the care and preservation of shade trees.

Article 6. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $5,250.00 for lighting the streets.

Article 7. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $200.00 to be used for tools for highway work.

Article 8. Voted: To fix the salary and compensation of all elected officers of the Town as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41, General Laws, as amended, as follows:

Selectmen and Welfare Boards:

Chairman of the Board	$325.	$75.
Second Member	325.	75.
Third Member	325.	75.

Town Moderator	$ 25.
Treasurer	900.
Tax Collector	750.
Town Clerk	500.

Assessors:

First Member	$300.
Second Member	300.
Third Member	300.

School Committee:

Chairman	100.
Second Member	100.
Third Member	100.

Article 9. Voted: To raise and appropriate the following sums of money necessary for salaries and other Town charges:

Selectmen's & Welfare Board Salary	$ 1,200.
Selectmen's Expense a/c	250.
Assessors' Salary	900.
Assessors' Expense a/c	225.
Tax Collector's Salary	750.
Tax Collector's Expense a/c	500.
Town Clerk's Salary	500.
Town Clerk's Expense a/c	80.
School Committee Salary	300.
Town Moderator's Salary	25.
Town Accountant's Salary	950.
Town Accountant's Expense a/c	75.
Sealer Weights & Measures	150.
Sealer's Expense a/c	25.
Inspection of Animals	175.
Alexander Hall	250.
Old Age Assistance	38,000.
Aid to Dependent Children	5,000.
General Relief	55,000.
Disability Assistance	2,500.
Machinery Maintenance Acct. (Tr. from Rd. Mach. Fund)	5,500.
Public Welfare Administration	2,500.
Soldiers' Relief	3,500.
Bridges	3,000.
Elections & Registrations	950.
Fire & Casualty Ins.	4,000.
Interest Account	200.
Town Hall Care* (see vote)	4,800.
Legal Expenses	250.
Damages	200.
Town Clock & Fountain	150.

Dog Officer & Exp.	150.	Town Reports & Val. Lists	1,700.
Inspection Meat & Slaughtering	50.	Snow Removal	5,500.
Public Health	1,300.	Public Safety	25.
Schools	99,900.	Protection Tax Title Property	25.
Fire Department	3,000.	Highway Bnds., Surveys & Plans	250.
Maintenance Water Holes	400.	Wire Inspector & Exp.	50.
P.V. Regional School Operating Budget	1,118.80	Fire Station Bonds, Maturing Debt	3,000.
Interest	649.13	Interest	1,401.
Treasurer's Salary	900.		
Treasurer's Expense a/c	400.		

*Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $4800.00 for Town Hall Care and that the Selectmen be authorized to purchase new draperies for the windows.

Article 10. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $5,300.00 for the operation of Dickinson Memorial Library, this sum to include the fines collected and the dog tax.

Article 11. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $800.00 to be used in the extermination of the Gypsy Moth.

Article 12. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $600.00 to be used by the Gypsy Moth Agent for the removal of dead wood and spraying the Town Elms, to combat Dutch Elm disease.

Article 13. Voted: To authorize the Assessors to appoint one of their members as Clerk of the Board, and that the salary be $500.00 in accordance with Section 4A, Chapter 41, General Laws, and to raise and appropriate $500.00 for the same.

Article 14. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $2,750.00 for the salary of a Public Health Nurse and substitute nurse.

Article 15. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $75.00 for the Public Health Nurse's Expense account.

Article 16. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $500.00 for the expense of the Public Health Nurse's car.

Article 17. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $50.00 to be expended by the American Legion for Veterans' markers.

Article 18. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $1,500.00 for the care and preservation of cemeteries.

Article 19. Voted: To authorize the Selectmen to enter into contract with the Board of Public Works, Division of Highways, for repair and improvement of roads and highways, exclusive of state highways, and raise and appropriate the sum of $4,875.00 to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 81 highway repairs and im-

provements, and the sum of $17,875.00 to be transferred from unappropriated, available funds in the treasury to meet the state's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursement for the state to be restored upon its receipt to the unappropriated, available funds in the treasury.

Article 20. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $2,000.00 to meet the Town's share of Chapter 90 highway construction, and that in addition the sum of $6,000.00 be transferred from unappropriated, available funds in the treasury to meet the state and county's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursement from the state and county to be restored upon its receipt to the unappropriated, available funds in the treasury. This appropriation to be used on the Gulf Road.

Article 21. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $1,000.00 to meet the Town's share of Chapter 90 highway maintenance, and in addition the sum of $2,000.00 to be transferred from unappropriated, available funds in the treasury to meet the state and county's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursement from the state and county to be restored upon its receipt to unappropriated, available funds in the treasury.

Article 22. Voted: To transfer from unappropriated, available funds in the treasury the sum of $2,000.00 for improvement on East Street.

Article 23. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $900.00 to be used in putting up railing.

Article 24. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $1,000.00 to repair sidewalks.

Article 25. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $750.00 for Constables' pay and expense.

Article 26. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $200.00 for Constables' uniforms.

Article 27. Voted: To transfer from unappropriated, available funds in the treasury the sum of $7,750.00 to purchase road machinery.

Article 28. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $275.00 to be expended under the direction of the Northfield Posts of the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars for the purpose of celebrating Memorial Day.

Article 29. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $400.00 for hydrant service for sixteen hydrants to be paid to the Northfield Water Co. for adequate water to supply the hydrants for fire protection.

Article 30. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $200.00 to be used to purchase fish to be liberated in the streams of the Town of Northfield, under the supervision of the Selectmen.

Article 31. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $24.00 to install a street light on Woodruff Way (formerly Linden Ave.) near the residence of the Mayberry family, and the junction of Linden Street, south.

Article 32. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $72.00 to erect and maintain three street lights on Old Turnpike Road and Commonwealth Avenue.

Article 33. Voted: That the Town do raise and appropriate the sum of $300.00 to meet foreclosure costs on tax titles and that all tax titles be put through land court.

Article 34. Voted: To accept the sum of $200.00 from Warena P. Miller as a trust fund, the interest thereof payable to the Treasurer, to be used for perpetual care of her lot in West Northfield Cemetery.

Article 35. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $400.00 ($200.00 for maintenance and $200.00 for improvement) for the care of the Playground and Athletic Field, this sum to be expended under supervision of the School Committee.

Article 36. Voted: That the report of the War Memorial Committee be accepted and that the committee be continued to carry out the war memorial project as outlined therein as soon as funds can be provided for the purpose.

Voted: That the Moderator be instructed to appoint an Honor Roll Committee of five. This shall be a continuing committee which shall include the adjutants of the local posts of the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars, who shall serve ex-officio, and a member of the Northfield Historical Society. Initial appointments shall be for terms of three, two, and one year, respectively, and thereafter the Moderator shall appoint one member each year to serve a three year term. The purpose of this Committee shall be to compile by May 30, 1955, a list of all men and women of Northfield who have served in the armed forces of the United States of America, to make suitable record of these names in an Honor Roll volume which shall be kept in the Dickinson Memorial Library; and to keep this list of veterans up to date.

Article 37. Voted: To accept the report of the Fire House Building Committee as printed in the Town Report, and that the Committee be discharged with a vote of thanks.

Article 38. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $700.00 to maintain state-aided vocational education in accordance with the provisions of Section 14 of Chapter 74, General Laws.

Article 39. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $2,000.00 for highway work, to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen.

Article 40. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $1,000.00 to be used in making repairs on discontinued school buildings.

Article 41. Voted: To discontinue as a Town highway the street known as Spring Street from Forest Avenue to Linden Avenue on Mountain Park, accepted by the Town under Article 22 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting, Feb. 7, 1927.

Article 42. Voted: Not to authorize the Selectmen to dispose of discontinued School buildings.

Article 43. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $1,500.00 for the care and maintenance and improvement of the fire station and town garage.

Article 44. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $1,000.00 for the Fire Department, for the purchase of a Model F Z Hale Portable Pump, 400 feet of 1 - 1/2" Hose, and 100 feet of 2 - 1/2" Hose. The pump to be purchased will be suitable for the combined use of the Fire Department and Highway Department.

Article 45. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $100.00 for Civil Defense purposes, the same to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen and Civil Defense Committee.

Article 46. Voted: To allow the Selectmen to dispose of the furnaces in the Pine Street School.

Article 47. Voted and passed over the article.

Article 48. Voted: Not to accept Highland Circuit as a public highway.

Article 49. Voted: To instruct the Moderator to appoint a committee of three, including one Selectman and one Assessor, to study the advisability of changing the date of the Annual Town Meeting.

Article 50. Voted: To transfer from Overlay Reserve the sum of $5,000.00 for a reserve fund for the coming year.

Article 51. Voted: To transfer from Surplus Revenue the sum of $30,000.00 to be used by the Assessors in determining the 1955 tax rate.

The meeting was dissolved at about 9:45 P.M.

Attest:

JOSEPHINE S. HASKELL,
Town Clerk

Copy of the Votes taken at the Special Election held in Northfield, Mass., June 20, 1955

Sixty ballots were cast with the following results:

TOWN CLERK, to fill vacancy

Horace F. Field	59
Blanks	1

The polls were opened at 12:00 o'clock noon, closed at seven o'clock P. M., the ballots counted, and the results announced.

The meeting was then closed to be reopened according to the warrant on Tuesday, June 21st, 1955 at eight o'clock.

HORACE F. FIELD, Town Clerk.
(For Evelyn H. Parker, Temporary Town Clerk.)

Copy of the Votes taken on the Articles in the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting, June 21, 1955

Article 1. Voted: To transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury the sum of $950.00 for the use of the War Memorial Committee as recommended by the report approved under Article 36 at the Annual Town Meeting, February 8, 1955.

Article 2. Voted: To appropriate from Overlay Surplus the sum of $100.00 to repair the roof of the Old Fire Station.

Article 3. Voted: To appropriate the sum of $1,500.00 from Overlay Surplus to purchase two-way radio communication and incidental equipment.

Article 4. Voted: To accept Sectios 6B, Chapter 40, of the General Laws Tercentenary Edition.

Article 5. Voted: To transfer the sum of $2,500.00 from the Road Machinery Fund to trade for a new Town Truck.

Article 6. Voted: To accept the sum of $100.00 from Mrs. George Piper as a trust fund, the interest thereof payable to the Town Treasurer to be used for perpetual care of Frank Piper and William Piper lots in Center Cemetery.

Article 7. Voted: To transfer the sum of $130.00 from available funds in the Treasury to purchase a set of the Annotated Laws of Massachusetts.

Article 8. Voted: To appropriate from Overlay Surplus the sum of $300.00 for the purpose of surveying Highland Circuit so-called.

HORACE F. FIELD, Town Clerk.
(For Evelyn H. Parker, Temporary Town Clerk.)

Copy of the Votes taken on Articles in the Warrant for Special Town Meeting, December 12, 1955

Article 1. Voted to transfer the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars ($150.00) from the Gypsy Moth Account to the Dutch Elm Account.

The vote was unanimous.

Article 2. Voted to transfer the sum of one thousand two hundred dollars ($1200.00) from the General Relief Account to the Aid to Dependent Children Account.

The vote was unanimous.

A motion was made, seconded and carried to act on Article 4 ahead of Article 3.

Article 4. Voted to transfer the sum of nine hundred seventy-five dollars ($975.00) for extraordinary repairs in conjunction with remodeling the lunch room kitchen in Center School, this sum to be expended under the direction of the School Committee.

The vote was unanimous.

Article 3. Motion was made to express disapproval of the amount of the debt, namely one million three hundred fifty thousand dollars ($1,350,000) authorized by the Pioneer Valley Regional School District Committee by a vote passed by said committee on December 1, 1955. The Moderator directed that voting would be by a paper ballot at the close of the discussion of the article, and that the period of voting be one hour, which procedure was followed, and the voting was closed at 10:40 P. M., and the meeting adjourned by the Moderator. At the close of the voting the ballots were sorted and counted and it was determined that the motion was lost. Number of votes cast was 343. Yes—121, No—221, Blanks—1.

HORACE F. FIELD, Town Clerk.

JURY LIST

Erna R. Barnes
Dorothy J. Bigelow
Minnie E. Bolton
Violet J. Moody
Emma M. F. Powell
Elizabeth M. Spencer
Milford W. Atwood
Francis L. Brennan
Harold J. Carroll
F. Myron Dunnell
Horace F. Field, Jr.
John S. Hammond
Donald G. Huber
Dana Leavis
Philip M. Mann, Jr.
William M. Marshall
Ernest A. Parker
Arthur H. Pietz
Hesser C. Ruhl
Thomas J. Russell
Robert C. Schouler
Francis C. Sobieski
Clarence H. Spaulding
Paul B. Thompson
Edward J. Guinnee
Martin G. Fritz

TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT

January 1, 1955 to December 31, 1955

Balance January 1, 1955		$147,276.34
Receipts for year 1955		350,652.78
		$497,929.12
Payments per Warrants		$385,096.59
Cash on hand December 31, 1955	$ 2,046.43	
Franklin County Trust Company	110,786.10	
	112,832.53	
		$497,929.12

Franklin County Trust Company of Greenfield

Balance Dec. 31, 1955 per Statement		$125,776.76
Outstanding checks Dec. 31, 1955 per list	$ 14,990.66	
Balance Dec. 31, 1955 per check book	110,786.10	
		$125,776.76

Franklin County Retirement System

Balance Jan. 1, 1955	$ 134.28	
Amount collected from members in 1955	1,645.93	
		$ 1,780.21
Payments to Franklin County Retirement Board in 1955	$ 1,586.33	
Balance Dec. 31, 1955 in Treasury	193.88	
		$ 1,780.21

Withholding Tax Statement

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1955	$ 969.92	
Withholding deducted in 1955	12,542.68	
		$ 13,512.60
Paid to Collector of Internal Revenue in 1955	$ 12,419.00	
Balance Dec. 31, 1955 in Treasury	1,093.60	
		$ 13,512.60

Blue Cross and Blue Shield

Deductions from members in 1955	$ 1,454.70
Paid to Massachusetts Hospital Service	$ 1,454.70

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES F. SLATE,
Treasurer.

Treasurer's Report of Trust Funds

Edward D. Priest and Others — West Northfield Cemetery Fund

	Savings Deposits	*Securities*	*Total*
On hand Jan. 1, 1955	$ 3,370.00	$ 4,000.00	$ 7,370.00
On hand Dec. 31, 1955	3,370.00	4,000.00	7,370.00
Receipts of Interest	192.62		

James W. Cowles Cemetery Fund

On hand Jan. 1, 1955	$ 2,000.00		2,000.00
On hand Dec. 31, 1955	2,000.00		2,000.00
Receipts of Interest	60.45		

Calvin Stearns Center Cemetery Fund

On hand Jan. 1, 1955	$ 500.00		$ 500.00
On hand Dec. 31, 1955	500.00		500.00
Receipts of Interest	15.11		

Belcher Center School Fund

On hand Jan. 1, 1955	$ 1,050.00	$ 200.00	$ 1,250.00
On hand Dec. 31, 1955	1,050.00	200.00	1,250.00
Receipts of Interest	34.23		

Belcher Center Cemetery Fund

On hand Jan. 1, 1955	$ 1,000.00	$ 1,000.00	$ 2,000.00
On hand Dec. 1, 1955	1,000.00	1,000.00	2,000.00
Receipts of Interest	55.23		

Lottie Evans Worthy Poor Fund

On hand Jan. 1, 1955	$ 888.35		$ 888.35
Receipts of Interest added			
On hand Dec. 31, 1955	900.56		900.56
to account	12.21		

George F. Morgan Charity Fund

On hand Jan. 1, 1955	$ 3,000.00		$ 3,000.00
On hand Dec. 31, 1955	3,000.00		3,000.00
Receipts of Interest	90.68		

Surplus Revenue School Funds

On hand Jan. 1, 1955	$ 1,600.00		$ 1,600.00
On hand Dec. 31, 1955	1,600.00		1,600.00
Receipts of Interest	22.00		

Belcher Library Fund

	Savings Deposits	*Securities*	*Total*
On hand Jan. 1, 1955	$ 9,439.01	$ 300.00	$ 9,739.01
On hand Dec. 31, 1955	9,439.01	300.00	9,739.01
Receipts of Interest	190.03		

Charles P. Dickinson Library Book Fund

On hand Jan. 1, 1955	$ 3,000.00		$ 3,000.00
On hand Dec. 31, 1955	3,000.00		3,000.00
Receipts of Interest	79.26		

Mary H. Callender Mt. Hermon Cemetery Fund

On hand Jan. 1, 1955	$ 500.00	$	$ 500.00
On hand Dec. 31, 1955	500.00		500.00
Receipts of Interest	15.11		

Post War Rehabilitation Fund

On hand Jan. 1, 1955	$ 2,948.66	$ 10,000.00	$ 12,948.66
Receipts of Int. on Securities	250.00		
Receipts of Int. on Savings Deposits	86.57		
On hand Dec. 31, 1955	3,285.23	10,000.00	13,285.23

Roselle Evans Worthy Poor Fund

On hand Jan. 1, 1955	$ 500.00		$ 500.00
On hand Dec. 31, 1955	500.00		500.00
Receipts of Interest	15.11		

Maude Montague Library Fund

On hand Jan. 1, 1955		$ 2,000.00	$ 2,000.00
On hand Dec. 31, 1955		2,000.00	2,000.00
Receipts of Interest	$ 50.00		

LIST OF CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUND

South Mountain Cemetery

Alice J. Bigelow	$100.00

West Northfield Cemetery

Cecil Wilson	$100.00
Caroline B. Lane	150.00
George W. Snow	200.00
Henry M. Yerrington	100.00
Pennock Fund	100.00
Cora Preston and Pitts W. Preston	100.00
S. E. K. Priest	200.00
George F. Witt	100.00
Jane E. Evans	50.00
Warena P. Miller	200.00

Mount Hermon Cemetery

Henry F. Cutler	$100.00
L. L. Drury	100.00
Horace F. Holton	100.00
Alice V. Watson	150.00
Anna Bell Mc Millan	100.00
Charles T. Sibley	200.00
Lewis Hodus	200.00
Roy R. Hatch	100.00
Joseph Castogue	100.00

Northfield Farms Cemetery

James Browning	$100.00
Retta R. Barrett	100.00
Ada E. Chamberlain and Sarah Morgan	75.00
George M. Chamberlain	75.00
Mrs. Eva J. S. Clough	200.00
M. Maria Foss	200.00
Ernest C. Field	100.00
Elisa Groves	51.69
Brigham Gage and David Clowes	100.00
Charles L. Gilbert	200.00
Nettie E. Gilbert	300.00
Samuel A. Holton	200.00
Inez E. Holton	50.00
Elvira A. Morgan	50.00
James and William Merriam	100.00
Henry W. Montague	400.00
Charles C. Morgan	100.00
Samuel Pratt	25.00
Larkin Fisher and Frank and Lucy Ross	50.00
Fred W. Ruggles	100.00
Asahel and Alner Sawyer	100.00
Marcellus D. Stratton	100.00
Rufus Stratton and Oren Darling	150.00
Elisha and Elihu Stratton	200.00
William H. Stratton	100.00
Mary A. Stratton	100.00
Samuel W. and William G. Slate	100.00
Leroy Weatherhead	75.00
Oscar and Frank V. Wood	50.00
Jennie E. Bascom	150.00

Center Cemetery

Nelson and Nettie Spring	$100.00
Emma A. Haltnorth	100.00
John F. Rice	100.00
Carpenter Winchester	100.00
Clinton A. Ware	150.00
George R. Stebbins	50.00
Charles Stebbins	100.00
Walter D. Crane	100.00
John E. Nye	100.00
Harvey J. Evans	50.00
Augustus W. Holton	100.00
Thomas R. Callender	50.00
Johnson Fund	123.06
Mary L. Wright	125.00
M. Bemis and Otis Field	50.00
Charles Blackmer	50.00
Alvin Long	50.00
Issac Cook and Wright Stratton	100.00
John L. Mattoon	100.00
Levi Fay	150.00
Sarah E. Minot	150.00
James Pickard	100.00
Augustus L. Day	100.00
Elijar Belding	125.00

Elijar E. Belding	100.00	M. Margaret Laird	100.00
Katherine Gaeng	100.00	Hezekiah and Elizabeth Stratton	80.00
Arad Webster and William Billings	500.00	Hezekiah and Mollie Stratton	80.00
James White	100.00	Rufus and Asenath Stratton	80.00
A. M. D. Alexander	300.00	William H. Phelps	200.00
Charles Alexander and Richard Colton	200.00	Elizabeth M. Purple	200.00
Adelaide W. Moody	100.00	Sarah Jane Whithead	50.00
Louis M. Potts	200.00	Bessie Severance	100.00
Roselle Evans	50.00	Lewis Fowler	50.00
Amos Shepardson and Anna S. Preston	150.00	J. Wesley Mann	100.00
Bessie Moore	100.00	Andrew E. and Andrew H. Lyman	400.00
Elizabeth P. Kraft	100.00	Edward B. Stearns	50.00
Maximilla S. Halchita	100.00	Benjamin F. Field and Chas. Pomeroy	100.00
Albert S. Brigham	100.00	Charles Osgood	300.00
George E. Nye	200.00	Louis Frederick Bartlett	100.00
Dorothy P. Bruce	150.00	Sherman Nye Bartlett	100.00
Dr. Stratton White and George Hastings	100.00	Rose A. Holton	100.00
Jessamine W. Polhemus	100.00	C. D. Merriam and Cornelius Hillard	300.00
William R. Moody	100.00	Cora B. Preston and Asa Holton	100.00
Mrs. Norman Mac Gaffin	50.00	Frank and William Piper	100.00
Clara B. Torrey	100.00		
Herbert E. Robbins	200.00		
S. E. Walker	200.00		
J. I. Greenleaf	300.00		

Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds

	Savings Deposits	*Total*
On hand January 1, 1955	$ 14,514.75	$ 14,514.75
On hand December 31, 1955	14,964.75	14,964.75
Receipts of Interest	390.36	
Bequests	450.00	
Deposited in Savings Bank	450.00	
Interest transferred to Town	390.36	

CHARLES F. SLATE
Treasurer.

Tax Collector's Report

1951 Levy		
Outstanding December 31, 1954		$ 146.70
Paid Treasurer	$ 93.00	
Outstanding December 31, 1955	53.70	
		$ 146.70
1952 Levy		
Outstanding December 31, 1954		$ 704.40
Paid Treasurer	$ 485.20	
Abatements	79.80	
Outstanding December 31, 1955	139.40	
		$ 704.40
1953 Levy		
Outstanding December 31, 1954		$ 5,521.72
Paid Treasurer	$ 4,874.32	
Abatements	42.40	
Outstanding December 31, 1955	605.00	
		$ 5,521.72
1954 Levy		
Outstanding December 31, 1954		$ 23,266.89
Paid Treasurer	$ 14,607.73	
Abatements	53.83	
Outstanding December 31, 1955	8,605.33	
		$ 23,266.89
1955 Levy		
1955 Real Estate Levy		$112,999.32
Paid Treasurer	$ 96,504.39	
Tax Titles	416.10	
Abatements	195.60	
Exemptions	1,603.80	
Outstanding December 31, 1955	14,279.43	
		$112,999.32
1955 Poll Tax Levy		$ 1,368.00
Refund		2.00
		$ 1,370.00
Paid Treasurer	$ 956.00	
Abatements	236.00	
Outstanding December 31, 1955	178.00	
		$ 1,370.00

1955 Personal Property Levy		$ 17,919.30
Paid Treasurer	$ 15,343.80	
Abatements	61.50	
Outstanding December 31, 1955	2,514.00	
		$ 17,919.30
1955 Motor Vehicle Levy		$ 25,536.45
Refunds		734.48
		$ 26,270.93
Paid Treasurer	$ 18,101.47	
Abatements	1,498.27	
Outstanding December 31, 1955	6,671.19	
		$ 26,270.93

Respectfully submitted,

ROY J. FISH,
Tax Collector.

Board of Assessors' Report

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1955

Recapitulation

Town Appropriation			
(a) to be raised by Taxation		$ 233,197.93	
(b) to be raised from available funds			
in 1955	$ 46,125.00		
in 1954 after tax rate was fixed	none		
		$ 46,125.00	
			$ 279,322.93
Veterans' Service District	762.12		
State Assessments 1955 Estimated			
State Parks and Reservations	$ 383.76		
		$ 383.76	
State Audit of Municipal Accounts	$ 893.46		
		$ 893.46	
Gypsy and Brown Tail Moth Underestimate	$ 330.56		
		$ 330.56	
			$ 1,607.78

County Assessments		
County Tax	$ 9,745.00	
County Retirement System	1,815.10	
		$ 11,560.10
Overlay of current year		5,988.37
Gross amount to be raised		$ 299,241.30

Estimated Receipts and Available Funds

Income Tax	$ 22,147.41	
Corporation Taxes	7,738.74	
Reimbursement on account of publicly owned land	523.79	
Old Age Tax (meals) Chap. 64B, S. 10	1,231.90	
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	16,200.00	
Licenses	50.00	
General Government	100.00	
Protection of Persons and Property	50.00	
Health and Sanitation	100.00	
Charities (other than Federal Grants for Aid to Dependent Children)	2,000.00	
Old Age Assistance (other than Federal Grants)	17,000.00	
Veterans' Service	500.00	
Schools	21,500.00	
Interest on Taxes	200.00	
Total Estimated Receipts		$ 89,341.84
County Tax	1,488.14	
State Parks and Reservations	1.70	
Available Funds	46,125.00	
Free Cash	30,000.00	
		$ 77,614.84
Total Estimated Receipts and Available Funds		$ 166,956.68
Net amount to be raised by Taxation		132,284.62
Number of Polls 683 at $2.00	$ 1,366.00	
Valuation of Personal Property $298,655.00 at $60.00	17,919.30	
Valuation of Real Estate $1,883,322.00 at $60.00	112,999.32	
Total Taxes Levied on Polls and Property		$ 132,284.62

Table of Aggregates

Number of Polls	683	
Number of Persons assessed		
On Personal Property only	39	
On Real Estate only	444	
On Both Personal and Real Estate	235	
Value of Assessed Stock in Trade	$ 29,900.00	
Machinery	192,090.00	
Live Stock	66,115.00	
All Other Personal Property	10,550.00	
Total Value of Personal Property		$ 298,655.00
Value of Assessed Real Estate		
Land Exclusive of Buildings	$ 528,487.00	
Buildings Exclusive of Land	1,354,835.00	
Total Value of Assessed Real Estate		$1,883,322.00
Total Value of Assessed Estate		$2,181,977.00
Tax Rate Per $1,000	$ 60.00	
Taxes for State, County or Town Purposes		
On Personal	17,919.30	
On Real Estate	112,999.32	
On Polls	1,366.00	
Total Taxes Assessed		$ 132,284.62
Number of Live Stock Assessed		
Horses (One year old or over)		28
Cows (Milch)		1009
Bulls, Steers and Heifers		396
Swine (6 months old or over)		27
Sheep (6 months old or over)		19
Fowl		2500
All Other		43
Number of Acres of Land Assessed		19,011 3/5
Number of Dwelling Houses Assessed		700

Abatements During the Year of 1955

Levy of	1955	1954	1953	1952
Polls	$ 236.00	$12.00	$ 4.00	
Motor Vehicle	1,498.27	35.33	109.06	
Personal	61.50	6.50	38.40	$79.50
Real Estate	198.00			
Exemptions Chap. 59	1,687.80		83.20	

Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise

Number of Motor Vehicles Assessed	1,244
Total Excise on Motor Vehicles	$ 25,536.45
Total Assessed Valuation	875,810.00

We the Board of Assessors would like to express our appreciation to the town officials for their assistance and cooperation, and to the Northfield Post Office for the help received with the mailing of the Valuation books.

Respectfully submitted,

CLIFFORD A. FIELD
WINTHROP E. SPENCER
LEE H. SHELDON
Assessors

Welfare Department Report

Old Age Assistance

No. cases January 1, 1955	58	
No. cases added during year	5	
No. cases closed during year	9	
No. cases December 31, 1955	54	
Appropriation	$ 38,000.00	
U. S. Grant carried over from 1954	9,194.81	
Cancelled checks and refunds	248.62	
U. S. Grant, reimbursements 1955	21,396.39	
		$ 68,839.82
Expended, payrolls	$ 54,979.77	
Expended, other towns	562.48	
Transferred to revenue	2,825.04	
U. S. Grant carried to 1956	10,472.53	
		$ 68,839.82

Aid to Dependent Children

No. cases January 1, 1955	5
No. cases added during year	1
No. cases closed during year	3
No. cases December 31, 1955	3
Appropriation	$ 5,000.00
From Reserve Fund	630.00
Transferred from General Relief	1,200.00
U. S. Grant carried from 1954	722.80

Cancelled checks	50.95	
U. S. Grant, reimbursements 1955	3,316.20	
		$ 10,919.95
Expended	$ 10,086.06	
Transferred to Revenue	394.54	
U. S. Grant carried to 1956	439.35	
		$ 10,919.95

Disability Assistance

No. cases January, 1955	3	
No. cases added during year	0	
No. cases closed during year	1	
No. cases December 31, 1955	2	
Appropriation	$ 2,500.00	
U. S. Grant carried over from 1954	1,113.61	
U. S. Grant, reimbursements 1955	822.75	
Cancelled checks	28.20	
		$ 4,464.56
Expended	$ 3,405.05	
Transferred to revenue	250.27	
U. S. Grant carried to 1956	809.24	
		$ 4,464.56

General Relief

No. cases January 1, 1955	2	
No. cases added during year	6	
No. cases closed during year	5	
No. cases December 31, 1955	3	
Appropriation	$ 5,000.00	
Less transfer to ADC account	−1,200.00	
		$ 3,800.00
Cash to GR recipients	$ 874.58	
To other towns	111.96	
Payments to vendors	760.45	
Balance to revenue	2,053.01	
		$ 3,800.00

Administrative

Appropriation		$ 2,500.00	
U. S. Grant carried over from 1954:			
OAA	$ 835.02		
ADC	473.41		
DA	217.02		
		$ 1,525.45	
U. S. Grant 1955 reimbursements:			
OAA	$ 1,217.82		
ADC	624.20		
DA	100.62		
		$ 1,942.64	
			$ 5,968.09

Expended:			
Agent's Salary	$ 3,520.00		
Transportation	126.79		
Office Supplies	34.91		
Postage	30.00		
Telephone	79.74		
Miscellaneous	49.35		
		$ 3,840.79	
U. S. Grant carried to 1956:			
OAA	$ 795.88		
ADC	444.19		
DA	317.64		
		$ 1,557.71	
Balance to revenue		569.59	
			$ 5,968.09

Respectfully submitted,

SHIRLEY H. KEHL, Agent
Board of Public Welfare

Town Accountant's Report

In compliance with the provisions of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, I submit the following report of the Accountant's Department for the calendar year ending December 31, 1955, including the source of all receipts, detail of appropriations and expenditures, statement of trust funds and town debt, and a balance sheet showing the financial condition of the town January 1, 1956.

HELEN M. STEARNS

TREASURER'S RECEIPTS

Taxes 1951:			
Real Estate			$ 93.00
Taxes 1952:			
Personal Property	$ 1.50		
Real Estate	483.70		
		$ 485.20	
Taxes 1953:			
Polls	$ 10.00		
Personal Property	127.68		
Real Estate	4,736.64		
		$ 4,874.32	

Taxes 1954:		
Polls	$ 64.00	
Personal Property	1,761.18	
Real Estate	9,374.73	
		$ 11,199.91
Taxes 1955:		
Polls	$ 956.00	
Personal Property	15,343.80	
Real Estate	96,506.39	
		$112,806.19
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise		
Levy of 1952	$ 34.50	
Levy of 1953	1,254.63	
Levy of 1954	3,406.52	
Levy of 1955	19,621.39	
		$ 24,317.04
Collector's Costs		$ 104.25
Acct. Rec. Sidewalks	$ 50.00	
General Relief	747.25	
O.A.A.	27,096.01	
A.D.C.	2,789.12	
D.A. Adm.	50.32	
D.A.	1,565.11	
Veterans' Benefits	743.21	
Schools	2,000.35	
		$ 35,041.37
Federal Grants		
O.A.A. Adm.	$ 1,217.82	
O.A.A.	21,396.39	
A.D.C. Adm.	624.20	
A.D.C.	3,316.20	
D.A. Adm.	100.62	
D.A.	850.95	
Smith-Hughes-Barden Fund	200.00	
		$ 27,706.18
O.A.A. Recovery		5,487.92
State Aid to Hwys.		22,237.90
County Aid to Hwys.		6,999.53
Hwy. Machinery Earnings		8,791.35
School Lunch		16,808.28
School Athletics		411.50
Dog Licenses		663.00
Federal Withholding Taxes		12,542.68
County Retirement		1,645.93
Mass. Hospital Service		1,454.70
U. S. Bond Income		250.00
County Dog Officer		208.50

Wild Cat Bounty		70.00
Licenses Granted		210.00
Rent — Town Hall		423.75
Rent — Alexander Hall		18.00
Interest on deferred taxes		817.54
Library Fines		243.30
Nurse's Fees		262.25
Sealer's Fees		130.80
Vocational Education Fees		119.80
Insurance Claim		65.93
Eastern States Farmers' Exchange, Bonus		.99
State		
Loss of Taxes	$ 539.04	
Meals Tax	1,352.88	
Income Tax	4,259.15	
Corporation Tax	6,810.69	
Livestock Disease Control	91.27	
License	8.00	
Aerial Refund	4.20	
School Superintendent	1,216.80	
School Aid	17,600.00	
Vocational Education	1,989.08	
English Speaking Class	13.50	
Edu. Transportation	14,191.97	
P.W. Transportation	691.75	
P.W. Tuition	2,625.58	
		$ 51,393.91
County		
Dog Licenses	$ 552.97	
Court Fines	15.00	
		$ 567.97
Trust Funds Interest		
Surplus Revenue School Fund	$ 22.00	
Elisha Alexander Charity	60.60	
George F. Morgan Charity	90.68	
Roselle Evans Worthy Poor	15.11	
Belcher Center School	34.23	
Belcher Library	190.03	
Montague Library	50.00	
Dickinson Book	79.26	
P.C. Center, Mt. H., So. Mt. Cemeteries	386.42	
P.C. Northfield Farms	90.42	
P.C. West Northfield	231.37	
P.C. Mary Callender	15.11	
P.C. Calvin Stearns	15.11	
		$ 1,280.34

Sale of Cemetery Lots		$ 120.00
Trust Funds		450.00
Constables Contribution to Uniforms		52.00
Refunds — O.A.A.		246.50
A.D.C.		50.95
Total Cash Receipts		$350,652.88
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1955		147,276.34
		$497,929.22

EXPENDITURES

Moderator

Appropriation		$ 25.00
Edgar Livingston		$ 25.00

Selectmen and Welfare Board

Appropriation		$ 1,200.00
William M. Marshall	$ 400.00	
Robert P. Barnes	400.00	
Wallace E. Stange	366.67	
Ellwyn E. Miller	33.33	
		$ 1,200.00

Selectmen's Expense

Appropriation		$ 250.00
Mass. Ass'n.	$ 25.00	
Franklin Co. Ass'n.	6.00	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	79.74	
Hobbs & Warren, Inc.	12.00	
Avery's	2.06	
Johnson & Johnson	5.50	
Franklin Co. Pub. Co.	16.68	
Commissioner of Public Safety	3.30	
Shirley Baker	5.00	
Postage	6.00	
Wallace Stange	16.50	
Robert Barnes	4.00	
William Marshall	34.50	
	$ 216.28	
Bal. to Revenue	33.72	
		$ 250.00

Accountant

Appropriation	$ 950.00
Helen M. Stearns	$ 950.00

Accountant Expense

Appropriation		$ 75.00
Mass. Ass'n.	$ 3.00	

The Sautter Co.	25.00	
Helen Stearns	47.00	
		$ 75.00

Legal

Appropriation		$ 250.00
Raymond Trudel		$ 250.00

Tax Collector

Appropriation		$ 750.00
Roy J. Fish		$ 750.00

Tax Collector's Expense

Appropriation		$ 500.00
Mass. Ass'n.	$ 2.00	
Read Shaw Agency	5.00	
Roy J. Fish, Ins.	223.50	
Hobbs & Warren	121.82	
Ray Smith	25.00	
Roy J. Fish	115.38	
	$ 492.70	
Bal. to Revenue	7.30	
		$ 500.00

Treasurer

Appropriation		$ 900.00
Charles F. Slate		$ 900.00

Treasurer's Expense

Appropriation		$ 400.00
Mass. Ass'n.	$ 2.00	
Hobbs & Warren	17.17	
The Todd Co.	23.50	
Richard Smith, Inc.	49.23	
Franklin Co. Trust Co.	63.78	
Colton's Ins.	126.75	
Charles Slate	18.20	
Postage	99.37	
		$ 400.00

Assessors and Clerk

Appropriation		$ 1,400.00
Clifford Field	$ 300.00	
Winthrop Spencer	300.00	
Lee Sheldon	300.00	
Winthrop Spencer, Clerk	500.00	
		$ 1,400.00

Assessors' Expense

Appropriation		$ 225.00
Mass. Ass'n.	$ 9.00	
Fr. Co. Registry of Deeds	62.00	
Hobbs & Warren	33.08	

The Sautter Co.	17.25	
Pittsfield Typewriter Co.	29.00	
Burroughs Corp.	18.00	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	1.35	
Clifford Field	10.00	
Lee Sheldon	10.00	
Winthrop Spencer	24.70	
	$ 214.38	
Bal. to Revenue	10.62	
		$ 225.00

Town Clerk

Appropriation		$ 500.00
Josephine S. Haskell	$ 166.67	
Evelyn H. Parker	79.17	
Horace Field II	254.16	
		$ 500.00

Town Clerk Expense

Appropriation	$ 80.00	
Reserve Fund	75.00	
		$ 155.00
Mass. Ass'n.	$ 7.50	
Colton's Ins.	12.25	
Josephine S. Haskell estate	31.90	
Evelyn H. Parker	8.95	
Johnson & Johnson	16.00	
Spencer Bros.	15.00	
Northfield Food Mart	42.70	
Horace Field II	4.50	
	$ 138.80	
Bal. to Reserve Fund	16.20	
		$ 155.00

Election and Registration

Appropriation		$ 950.00
E. A. Hall & Co.	$ 245.78	
Hobbs & Warren	19.85	
Josephine Haskell	85.50	
Lawrence Hammond	132.50	
Edward Hurley	125.50	
Charles Streeter	132.50	
Ralph Holton	8.75	
Edna Bistrek	13.75	
Flora Abbey	22.50	
Frank Anderson	22.50	
Katherine Callaghan	22.50	
Daisy Holton	22.50	

Harrison Stacy	13.75	
Helen Stearns	22.50	
James Dale	22.50	
	$ 912.88	
Bal. to Revenue	37.12	
		$ 950.00

Town Hall

Appropriation	$ 4,800.00	
Reserve Fund	197.30	
		$ 4,997.30
Com. of Mass.	$ 35.00	
The Bookstore	122.99	
Kidder & Co.	150.00	
Smead Lumber Co.	28.26	
William Durant	70.15	
Leavis & Bolton	5.15	
Edward Bolton	366.24	
Avery's	8.53	
F. A. Irish	38.92	
C. B. Dolge Co.	136.65	
Alfred Holton	55.09	
Hamilton Cregar	263.63	
Sidney Walker	3.00	
Edmund Morgan	3.00	
Frank Anderson	26.50	
Nfld. Water Co.	13.17	
W. M. Electric Co.	276.96	
F. M. Dunnell	1,593.31	
Charles Slate	1,800.75	
		$ 4,997.30

Constables and Expense

Appropriation	$ 750.00	
Reserve Fund	13.17	
		$ 763.17
Joseph Morgan	$ 165.82	
Paul Chamberlin	315.94	
Niles Stone	162.50	
Murray Hammond	73.88	
Willie Parker	15.65	
Police Ass'n	1.00	
S. H. Reese Co.	20.58	
Sec. Phono. Service	7.00	
N. E. T. & T. Co.	.80	
		$ 763.17

Constable Uniforms

Appropriation	$ 200.00	
Donation by Constables	52.00	
		$ 252.00
M. Linsky & Bro.		$ 252.00

Fire Department

Appropriation	$ 3,000.00	
Reserve Fund	1,484.65	
		$ 4,484.65
David Deane	$ 129.07	
N. E. Tel & Tel. Co.	282.67	
W. M. E. Co.	3.90	
F. M. Dunnell	152.53	
Hamilton Cregar	5.43	
Mass. Fire Equip. Co.	18.00	
American Fire Equip. Co.	350.00	
Tri State Mutual Aid	5.00	
G. L. Merriam Co.	13.40	
Roy J. Fish, Ins.	484.59	
Colton's, Ins.	420.03	
Avery's	76.67	
Lily-Dan	6.35	
Northfield Food Mart	13.36	
Hobbs & Warren	1.93	
Johnson & Johnson	18.00	
Stearns Garage	166.36	
Morgan Garage	56.13	
G. C. Buffum	4.82	
Bill's Service Station	5.63	
Jordan Motor Sales	15.00	
Kidder & Co.	4.60	
Northfield Pharmacy	16.80	
Maxim Motor Co.	263.80	
Fred Conley	18.84	
Sundry persons—forest fires	51.00	
American LaFrance Corp.	657.71	
Express	4.03	
Floyd Dunnell, Jr.	127.00	
James Dale	50.00	
Philip Mann, Jr.	113.00	
Dwight Stearns	209.00	
Andrew Gray	1.00	
Alfred Holton	2.00	
Edward Bolton	28.00	
Francis Reed	15.00	
Gilbert Stacy	39.00	

Joseph Morgan	14.00	
Roy Barrows	12.00	
W. W. Sanderson	35.00	
Howard Williams	59.00	
David Quinn	80.00	
John Hammond	57.00	
Edmund Morgan	97.00	
Paul Carpenter	62.00	
Fred Bolton	3.00	
Warren Randall	70.00	
Harold Williams	47.00	
Donald McCollester	10.00	
Leland Black	42.00	
Leslie Gibson	21.00	
Robert Whitney	23.00	
Alden Edson	10.00	
Gardiner Hudson	8.00	
Gerald Barnes	5.00	
		$ 4,484.65

Hydrants

Appropriation		$ 400.00
Northfield Water Co.		$ 400.00

Waterholes

Appropriation		$ 400.00
Steve Siciak		$ 400.00

Maintenance Fire Station and Town Garage

Appropriation		$ 1,500.00
Stanley Johnson	$ 600.48	
W. M. E. Co.	262.69	
Ray Thompson	6.25	
Richco Products	55.08	
Kidder & Co.	84.93	
Northfield Water Co.	13.20	
Hamilton Cregar	18.18	
G. G. Bentley	4.00	
Avery's	5.64	
Edmund Morgan	23.30	
Leland Black	15.75	
	$ 1,089.50	
Balance to Revenue	410.50	
		$ 1,500.00

Fire Truck

Appropriation	$ 17,000.00
Maxim Motor Co.	$ 17,000.00

Fire Hose and Portable Pump

Appropriation		$ 1,000.00
American LaFrance Corp.		$ 1,000.00

Public Safety

Appropriation		$ 25.00
Floyd Dunnell, Jr.		$ 25.00

Wire Inspector

Appropriation		$ 50.00
Balance to Revenue		$ 50.00

Sealer Weights and Measures and Expense

Appropriation		$ 175.00
Warren Randall—salary	$ 150.00	
Warren Randall—expense	25.00	
		$ 175.00

Gypsy Moth

Appropriation	$ 800.00	
Transfer to Dutch Elm	150.00	
		$ 650.00
Niagara Chemical Division	$ 319.00	
Hinckley Tree Service	213.95	
Joseph Bilmon	57.00	
Horace Field	22.50	
Kenneth Miller	22.50	
Harold Clough	4.60	
Ernest Kenney	4.00	
Town Truck No. 8	6.00	
	$ 649.55	
Balance to Revenue	.45	
		$ 650.00

Dutch Elm Control

Appropriation	$ 600.00	
Transfer from Gypsy Moth	150.00	
Transfer from Reserve	122.34	
		$ 872.34
Joseph Bilmon	$ 123.75	
Kenneth Miller	58.40	
Hinckley Tree Service	94.80	
Harold Clough	39.10	
Ernest Kenney	37.00	
George Smalley	43.00	
Robert Strange	5.00	
Orrin Carey	5.00	
Ronald Winship	31.05	
C. Habel	173.00	

Paul Dill	30.00	
M. Bolduc	15.00	
William Roberge	6.00	
Robert Flagg	14.00	
Horace Field	7.00	
Frank Anderson	6.00	
Hamilton Cregar	3.24	
George Wetherby	72.00	
Town Truck No. 8	39.00	
Town Truck No. 9	15.00	
Front End Loader	35.00	
Power Saw	15.00	
Tractor	5.00	
		$ 872.34

Tree Warden

Appropriation		$ 600.00
Kenneth Miller	$ 126.40	
Henry Bassett	18.40	
Harold Clough	25.30	
Ronald Winship	31.05	
Wallace Stange	7.45	
Orrin Carey	12.00	
Robert Strange	24.00	
Ernest Kenney	31.50	
George Smalley	19.00	
David Martin	8.00	
Edgar Livingston, Jr.	8.00	
Wm. Strange	8.00	
F. M. Dunnell, Jr.	3.00	
Robert Flagg	16.00	
Steve Siciak	14.00	
Lewis Shine	35.00	
George Wetherby	36.00	
Hamilton Cregar	34.27	
Melvin Miller	6.00	
Frank Anderson	26.75	
Jordan Motor Sales	12.00	
Town Truck No. 7	16.50	
Town Truck No. 8	25.50	
Town Truck No. 9	9.00	
Power Saw	24.00	
Tractor	22.50	
	$ 599.62	
Balance to Revenue	.38	
		$ 600.00

Dog Officer

Appropriation	$ 150.00	
Reserve Fund	43.85	
		$ 193.85
Robert Gibson		$ 193.85

Health

Appropriation		$ 1,300.00
Abalene Exterminating Co.	$ 124.00	
N. W. S. & G. Co.	25.26	
J. H. Black	3.00	
Leland Black	111.00	
Kenneth Miller	55.70	
Melvin Miller	9.00	
Frank Anderson	40.00	
Ronald Winship	4.60	
Truck No. 8	6.00	
Tractor	111.25	
Hampshire Co. Sanatorium	144.00	
Dr. A. J. Stone	157.50	
Dr. F. W. Dean	3.00	
Dr. A. B. True	9.00	
Robert Barnes	4.05	
Avery's	1.58	
Hobbs & Warren	39.37	
Barrett & Baker	3.38	
P. V. Stamp Co.	1.90	
Eisner Surgical Appliances	4.85	
E. A. Hall Co.	20.00	
Josephine Haskell	14.00	
Evelyn Parker	22.00	
Horace Field II	57.00	
	$ 971.44	
Balance to Revenue	328.56	
		$ 1,300.00

Nurse and Substitute

Appropriation		$ 2,750.00
Marian Billings	$ 2,537.49	
Norma Stearns	212.51	
		$ 2,750.00

Nurse's Expense

Appropriation		$ 75.00
Marian Billings	$ 8.74	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	7.10	

Northfield Pharmacy		26.56	
Eisner Surgical Appliances		18.75	
	$	61.15	
Balance to Revenue		13.85	
			$ 75.00

Nurse Car Expense

Appropriation			$ 500.00
Roy J. Fish	$	109.92	
Spencer Bros.		80.98	
G. C. Buffum		11.49	
Bill's Service Station		15.13	
Jordan Motor Sales		4.93	
Morgan Garage		4.11	
Stearns Garage		15.04	
Eugene Miller		16.23	
George's Auto Body		25.00	
Esso Standard Oil Co.		13.70	
	$	296.53	
Balance to Revenue		203.47	
			$ 500.00

Inspection of Animals

Appropriation	$	175.00	
Reserve Fund		8.98	
			$ 183.98
Gilbert Hammond			$ 183.98

Inspection of Meat and Slaughter

Appropriation			$ 50.00
Leroy Barnes	$	25.00	
Balance to Revenue		25.00	
			$ 50.00

Machinery Maintenance

Road Machinery Fund			$ 5,500.00
Eugene Miller	$	223.90	
George Sheldon		210.99	
The Northfield		108.30	
Spencer Bros.		598.98	
Stearns Garage		459.34	
Morgan Garage		162.61	
Jordan Motor Sales		96.20	
Bill's Service Station		167.71	

James Neigh	16.45	
G. C. Buffum	341.26	
Harold Allen	8.13	
Tenney Farms	27.06	
Hamilton Cregar	11.94	
H. F. Davis Tractor Co.	72.03	
Transglobal Steel Co.	636.14	
Federal Tool & Steel Co.	125.80	
Mason Dixon Steel Co.	20.15	
Frank Hance	66.45	
Eastern Equipment Sales	2.00	
Clapp's Service	1.25	
Salter's Express	1.95	
Harold Clough	65.55	
Henry Bassett	36.80	
Ronald Winship	27.60	
Gerald Stebbins	3.00	
Colton's Insurance	407.41	
Esso Standard Oil Co.	981.43	
	$ 4,880.43	
Balance to Road Machinery Fund	619.57	
		$ 5,500.00

Tools

Appropriation		$ 200.00
Frank Hance	$ 83.30	
Hamilton Cregar	81.78	
Clapp's Service	9.15	
Lawrence Quinlan	1.50	
Avery's	8.96	
	$ 184.69	
Balance to Revenue	15.31	
		$ 200.00

Purchase of Road Machinery

Surplus Revenue		$ 7,750.00
Perkins Milton Co.	$ 1,550.00	
Clapp's Service	299.28	
Graves Equipment, Inc.	5,800.00	
	$ 7,649.28	
Balance to Surplus Revenue	100.72	
		$ 7,750.00

Purchase of Truck

Road Machinery Fund		$ 2,500.00
Spencer Bros.	$ 2,345.00	
Balance to Road Machinery Fund	155.00	
		$ 2,500.00

Highway Chapter 81

Appropriation		$ 22,750.00
Kenneth Miller	$ 1,451.10	
Henry Bassett	1,000.50	
Harold Clough	985.55	
Ronald Winship	665.65	
Wallace Stange	5.75	
George Smalley	711.00	
Robert Strange	782.00	
Orrin Carey	423.00	
Ernest Kenney	148.00	
Gerald Stebbins	133.00	
David Martin	311.00	
Ralph Holton	301.00	
William Walker, Jr.	70.15	
Edgar Livingston, Jr.	325.00	
William Strange	16.00	
David Quinn	2.00	
Paul Carpenter	5.00	
Floyd Dunnell, Jr.	4.00	
Norman Deane	169.00	
Robert Scott	224.00	
Town Trucks	2,217.00	
Town Tractor	395.00	
Town Grader	766.00	
Town Sander	16.50	
Town Scraper	9.60	
Leland Black	171.00	
Homer Browning	132.00	
Steven Siciak	1,426.00	
Melvin Miller	1,568.00	
Frank Anderson	1,038.00	
Sid Wolfram	385.00	
Kenneth Hall	10.50	
Horace Bolton	28.00	
N. W. S. & G. Co.	2,399.24	
Berger Metal Culvert Co.	198.39	
Lake Asphalt Co. of Mass.	871.68	
C. W. Woods	64.00	
J. Herbert Black	171.50	
American Tar Co.	1,493.29	

New England Metal Culvert Co.	515.20	
Chemical Corp.	199.57	
Jack Beaman	64.90	
Koppers Co.	868.29	
	$ 22,741.36	
Balance to Revenue	8.64	
		$ 22,750.00

Chapter 90 Construction

Appropriation		$ 8,000.00
Kenneth Miller	$ 448.80	
Henry Bassett	285.20	
Harold Clough	227.15	
Ronald Winship	235.75	
George Smalley	235.00	
David Martin	16.00	
Edgar Livingston, Jr.	48.00	
Robert Scott	8.00	
Gerald Stebbins	21.00	
Roy Herrick	9.20	
Orrin Carey	48.00	
Robert Strange	96.00	
Ralph Holton	16.00	
William Strange	40.00	
Town Trucks	579.00	
Town Grader	48.00	
Town Tractor	170.00	
Town Sander	4.00	
Town Power Saw	7.50	
George Wetherby	72.00	
Horace Bolton	56.00	
Steve Siciak	1,803.50	
Melvin Miller	432.50	
Frank Anderson	235.75	
N. W. S. & G. Co.	562.21	
American Tar Co.	559.86	
N. E. Culvert Co.	1,397.03	
Edwin Damon	45.00	
Herbert Black	81.10	
Warner Bros.	9.75	
Hamilton Cregar	93.96	
Mason Dixon Steel Co.	58.67	
	$ 7,999.93	
Balance to Revenue	.07	
		$ 8,000.00

Chapter 90 Pine Meadow Bridge

1954 Balance		$ 3,690.50
Kenneth Miller	$ 312.00	
Henry Bassett	248.40	
Harold Clough	165.60	
Ronald Winship	86.15	
William Walker, Jr.	82.80	
Eugene Hammond	27.60	
George Smalley	144.00	
Ernest Kenney	48.00	
Robert Strange	32.00	
Fred Voorhies	16.00	
Patsy Lapparoli	36.00	
Ralph Holton	24.00	
Town Trucks	441.00	
Town Tractor	165.00	
Town Cement Mixer	4.00	
Alex Kozlowski	58.80	
Sid Wolfram	224.00	
Steven Siciak	136.50	
N. W. S. & G. Co.	586.20	
Steve Puffer	408.00	
Melvin Miller	228.00	
Frank Anderson	216.00	
	$ 3,690.05	
Balance to Revenue	.45	
		$ 3,690.50

Chapter 90 Maintenance

Appropriation		$ 3,000.00
Kenneth Miller	$ 149.60	
Henry Bassett	73.60	
Harold Clough	82.80	
Ronald Winship	46.00	
George Smalley	58.00	
Robert Strange	63.00	
David Martin	64.00	
Norman Dean	8.00	
Robert Scott	68.00	
Orrin Carey	24.00	
Edgar Livingston, Jr.	79.00	
Ralph Holton	31.00	
Town Trucks	204.00	
Town Grader	22.00	
Town Tractor	100.00	
Town Sander	8.00	

Lake Asphalt Co.	38.72	
N. W. S. & G. Co.	506.25	
American Tar Co.	1,046.12	
Koppers Co.	279.89	
Frank Anderson	48.00	
	$ 2,999.98	
Balance to Revenue	.02	
		$ 3,000.00

Chapter 90 Storm Damage

Surplus Revenue		$ 8,000.00
Kenneth Miller	$ 530.40	
Henry Bassett	349.60	
Harold Clough	333.50	
Ronald Winship	311.65	
George Smalley	290.00	
Robert Strange	320.00	
David Martin	42.00	
Orrin Carey	186.00	
Robert Scott	106.00	
Edgar Livingston, Jr.	98.00	
Ralph Holton	16.00	
Gerald Stebbins	40.00	
William Strange	16.00	
Town Trucks	735.00	
Town Grader	240.00	
Town Power Saw	6.00	
Town Tractor	22.50	
Town Sander	20.00	
Town Hone	7.00	
Town Scraper	14.00	
American Tar Co.	1,382.10	
N. W. S. & G. Co.	1,279.41	
Herbert Black	22.70	
Lake Asphalt Co.	234.88	
Koppers Co.	703.12	
Steven Siciak	336.00	
Frank Anderson	87.00	
Melvin Miller	271.00	
	$ 7,999.86	
Balance to Surplus Revenue	.14	
		$ 8,000.00

Highway Improvement East Street

Appropriation		$ 2,000.00
Kenneth Miller	$ 108.80	

Henry Bassett	64.40	
Harold Clough	64.40	
Ronald Winship	36.80	
George Smalley	40.00	
Ernest Kenney	16.00	
Robert Strange	16.00	
Town Trucks	132.00	
Town Tractor	40.00	
N. W. S. & G. Co.	201.65	
Herbert Black	88.00	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	66.33	
Steven Siciak	566.50	
Horace Bolton	49.00	
Melvin Miller	42.00	
Frank Anderson	94.50	
	$ 1,626.38	
Balance to Revenue	373.62	
		$ 2,000.00

Railings

Appropriation		$ 900.00
Harold Clough	$ 18.40	
George Smalley	40.00	
Edgar Livingston	16.00	
Orrin Carey	8.00	
Norman Dean	8.00	
Robert Strange	36.00	
William Strange	31.00	
Ernest Kenney	28.00	
Town Truck	18.00	
Glossie Bentley	25.00	
Tropical Paint Co.	21.50	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	627.99	
Smead Lumber Co.	13.52	
	$ 891.41	
Balance to Revenue	8.59	
		$ 900.00

Bridges

Appropriation		$ 3,000.00
Kenneth Miller	$ 78.20	
Henry Bassett	73.60	
Harold Clough	75.90	
Ronald Winship	71.30	
George Smalley	49.00	

Ernest Kenney	42.50	
Ralph Holton	8.00	
Robert Scott	8.00	
Edgar Livingston, Jr.	16.00	
Gerald Stebbins	63.00	
Robert Strange	113.00	
Orrin Carey	8.00	
Eugene Miller	4.00	
William Strange	16.00	
William Durant	136.35	
Town Trucks	120.00	
Town Tractor	5.00	
Berger Metal Culvert Co.	301.57	
Smead Lumber Co.	45.77	
Henry Bassett	6.00	
William Durant	5.00	
Melvin Miller	215.80	
Morgan Garage	12.50	
N. W. S. & G. Co.	158.77	
J. L. Dunnell & Son	12.50	
Hamilton Cregar	34.09	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	963.32	
Panther Oil & Grease Co.	123.75	
	$ 2,760.92	
Balance to Revenue	239.08	
		$ 3,000.00

Sidewalk Repairs

Appropriation	$ 1,000.00	
Reserve	242.00	
		$ 1,242.00
Peter Yarmac		$ 1,242.00

Snow Removal

Appropriation	$ 5,500.00	
Reserve Fund	1,570.62	
		$ 7,070.62
Kenneth Miller	$ 667.60	
Henry Bassett	416.30	
Harold Clough	614.10	
Ronald Winship	111.45	
Homer Browning, Jr.	9.20	
Eugene Miller	4.60	
George Smalley	338.00	
Ernest Kenney	472.00	
Orrin Carey	95.00	
Ransom Kenney	9.00	

Robert Strange	32.00	
Town Trucks	1,225.50	
Town Sanders	219.00	
Town Tractor	37.50	
Town Fire Dept. Engine	4.50	
Chemical Corp.	693.00	
International Salt Co.	99.00	
Potter Grain Stores	75.00	
Leland Black	133.50	
Ellwyn Miller	52.50	
Glenn Murray	32.50	
N. W. S. & G. Co.	1,309.03	
Frank Hance	14.40	
Melvin Miller	300.00	
Frank Anderson	72.00	
Floyd Dunnell, Jr.	33.00	
Hamilton Cregar	.94	
		$ 7,070.62

Highway Work

Appropriation		$ 2,000.00
Kenneth Miller	$ 261.30	
Henry Bassett	169.05	
Harold Clough	127.65	
Ronald Winship	36.80	
George Smalley	155.00	
Ernest Kenney	122.00	
Floyd Dunnell	21.00	
Robert Strange	48.00	
Orrin Carey	16.00	
William Durant	19.50	
Town Trucks	346.50	
Town Sanders	4.00	
Town Fire Dept. Engine	4.50	
Town Grader	10.00	
Town Tractor	12.50	
Warner Bros.	41.84	
Skibiski Farm Produce	20.60	
C. W. Woods	9.00	
Hamilton Cregar	1.39	
Frank Anderson	60.00	
Melvin Miller	90.00	
N. W. S. & G. Co.	375.41	
	$ 1,999.27	
Balance to Revenue	.73	
		$ 2,000.00

Street Lights

Appropriation	$ 5,250.00	
Appropriation Woodruff Way	24.00	
Appropriation Turnpike and Commonwealth Aves.	72.00	
		$ 5,346.00
Western Mass. Electric Co.	5,302.00	
Balance to Revenue	44.00	
		$ 5,346.00

Highway Bounds, Surveys, Plans

Appropriation		$ 250.00
U. S. Treasury (Maps)	$ 27.00	
F. Deane Avery Associates	83.50	
	$ 110.50	
Balance to Revenue	139.50	
		$ 250.00

Highland Circuit Survey

Overlay Reserve		$ 300.00
F. Deane Avery Associates	$ 295.00	
Balance to Overlay Reserve	5.00	
		$ 300.00

Public Welfare Administration

Appropriation		$ 2,500.00
Shirley Kehl, salary	$ 1,760.10	
Shirley Kehl	69.07	
N. E. Tel. and Tel. Co.	46.39	
Postage	12.00	
Barrett & Baker	14.08	
Burroughs Corp.	18.00	
Johnson & Johnson	7.25	
Hobbs & Warren	3.52	
	$ 1,930.41	
Balance to Revenue	569.59	
		$ 2,500.00

General Relief

Appropriation	$ 5,000.00	
Transfer to A.D.C.	1,200.00	
		$ 3,800.00
Sundry persons	$ 1,746.99	
Balance to Revenue	2,053.01	
		$ 3,800.00

O.A.A.

Appropriation	$ 38,000.00	
Refunds	48.85	
		$ 38,048.85
Sundry persons	$ 35,223.81	
Balance to Revenue	2,825.04	
		$ 38,048.85

A.D.C.

Appropriation	$ 5,000.00	
Reserve Fund	630.00	
Refunds	50.95	
Transfer from G.R.	1,200.00	
		$ 6,880.95
Sundry persons	$ 6,486.41	
Balance to Revenue	394.54	
		$ 6,880.95

D.A.

Appropriation		$ 2,500.00
Sundry persons	$ 2,249.73	
Balance to Revenue	250.27	
		$ 2,500.00

Soldiers' Relief

Appropriation		$ 3,500.00
Sundry persons	$ 1,539.88	
Balance to Revenue	1,960.12	
		$ 3,500.00

School Committee

Appropriation		$ 300.00
Irving Lawrence	$ 100.00	
Roy Fish	100.00	
Evelyn True	91.67	
Louis Abbey	8.33	
		$ 300.00

Schools

Appropriation		$ 99,900.00
George Leonard	$ 4,566.64	
Evelyn Lawley	4,209.90	
M. Carleton Brown	3,803.28	
Conrad Bayley	3,126.64	
Nellie Dearstyne	3,756.64	
Eleanor Hammond	2,453.28	

Beryle Hammond	3,456.56
Jean Kozlowski	2,182.50
Barbara Baker	1,066.64
John Trumbull	966.64
Aaron Barnard	1,133.28
Dorothy Herrick	4,013.28
Hugh Hayden	1,986.56
Evelyn Parker	3,695.00
Mary Dalton	3,713.28
Virginia Haack	3,446.56
Rae Janson	1,733.75
Dorothea Holt	3,606.64
Ruth Bolton	3,626.68
Harvey Cadwell	1,106.64
Mary Brady	966.64
Mildred Rineer	9.00
Elizabeth Mayberry	81.00
Ruby North	144.00
Louisa Barclay	9.00
Mrs. R. Phelps	18.00
Esther Leonard	243.10
George Partridge	27.00
Harry Snow	27.00
Mrs. P. Smead	9.00
Bessie Moore	27.00
Ann Clark	27.00
Donald Westin	9.00
Edith Aldrich	9.00
Virginia Raymond	576.00
Esther Galbraith	388.80
Jeanette Rich	712.00
W. L. Rinehart	450.00
F. Sumner Turner	2,353.71
F. Sumner Turner, Travel	135.00
Jean McC. Smead	892.47
Marian Billings	650.00
John Spindler	2,611.92
John Ware	841.40
William Janes	802.40
Stephen Mastaler	50.00
The Northfield	11,597.50
Eugene Miller	4,590.02
Robert Dumbreck	1,327.86
James Dresser	754.74
Dr. F. Wilton Dean	300.00
Vocational Tuition—Greenfield	1,365.16
Civic Class Tuition—Greenfield	8.00

Mass. Audubon Society	107.82
Turners Falls Coal Co.—Fuel	949.24
Lodge Petroleum Co.—Fuel	1,047.08
C. W. Herrick—Fuel	16.00
McIntosh & Son —Fuel	176.00
Hamilton Cregar—Fuel	54.90
Western Mass. Electric Co.	977.93
Northfield Water Co.	104.94
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	216.26
Row, Peterson & Co.—Textbooks	87.51
Wilcox & Follett—Textbooks	135.67
World Book Co.—Textbooks	309.72
American Book Co.—Textbooks	212.05
Ginn & Co.—Textbooks	211.30
Sundry persons—Textbooks	180.95
Cascade Paper Co.—New Equipment	561.42
Roberts Vacuum Cleaner Co.—New Equipment	158.75
Sundry persons—New Equipment	65.76
Cascade Paper Co.—Student Supplies	513.03
California Test Bureau—Student Supplies	128.13
Phillips Paper Co.—Student Supplies	66.16
Mainco Trading Co.—Student Supplies	113.28
Milton Bradley Co.—Student Supplies	66.51
Sundry persons—Student Supplies	270.76
Hamilton Cregar—Janitor Supplies	113.44
C. B. Dolge Co.—Janitor Supplies	109.74
Stanley Home Products—Janitor Supplies	77.00
Acme Chemical Co.—Janitor Supplies	56.43
Richard Smith, Inc.—Janitor Supplies	174.50
Sundry persons—Janitor Supplies	116.70
Paul Mayberry—Repairs	201.97
Hamilton Cregar—Repairs	62.85
Remington Rand—Repairs	94.27
George Corsiglia—Repairs	465.60
Franklin Sanitary Service—Repairs	220.00
Carlson-Powell, Inc.—Repairs	875.00
Sundry persons—Repairs	104.11
The Hubers	275.00
Com. of Mass.—Flag	7.85
Com. of Mass.—Inspection	30.00
Sundry persons—Freight	27.59
Athletic Trainers' Supply	88.10
Homon Sporting Goods	52.84
James W. Brine Co.	83.97
Sundry persons—Umpires	79.00
Leland Black	56.00
Mass. Ass'n School Committees	20.00

Rev. James White	25.00	
Sundry persons—Sundry Education	87.42	
	$ 99,898.66	
Balance to Revenue	1.34	
		$ 99,900.00

Lunch Room Remodelling

Overlay Reserve		$ 975.00
Vincent and Williams	$ 257.83	
George Corsiglia	717.17	
		$ 975.00

Adult Vocational Education

Appropriation		$ 700.00
Mrs. Adrian Savage	$ 100.00	
Sylvia Spencer	90.00	
Harriet Hawkes	65.38	
Ralph Sargent	200.00	
Ward's Stationers	3.70	
Mansfield Paper Co.	15.60	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	4.75	
Lodge Petroleum Co.	50.00	
McIntosh & Son	16.00	
John Spindler	129.00	
	$ 674.43	
Balance to Revenue	25.57	
		$ 700.00

P.V. Regional School Operating Budget and Interest

Appropriation Budget	$ 1,118.80	
Appropriation Interest	649.13	
		$ 1,767.93
P.V. Regional School District		$ 1,767.93

Northfield Farms Library

Appropriation		$ 150.00
Northfield Farms Library Association		$ 150.00

Dickinson Library

Appropriation		$ 5,300.00
Florence Phelps	$ 2,220.00	

Edna Barber	540.00	
Agda Huber	244.15	
Kathryn King	13.30	
Louise Reeves	5.00	
Evangeline Cook	632.68	
May Cook	24.00	
Gwendolyn Leavis	8.55	
Western Mass. Electric Co.	167.44	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	69.04	
F. M. Dunnell	458.08	
Edward Bolton	76.00	
Leavis & Bolton	121.19	
Alfred Holton	3.10	
Northfield Water Co.	12.00	
L. A. Barber	21.44	
C. B. Dolge Co.	21.86	
Elton Kinsman	50.00	
Demco Library Supplies	41.55	
The Bookstore	2.50	
Barrett & Baker	25.21	
C. H. Demond & Co.	6.20	
Tracy Burdick	6.75	
Phelps—Cash	12.00	
Am. Library Ass'n	6.00	
Library Book House	402.76	
J. Wesby	70.80	
Malcolm Parks	42.50	
Field Enterprises	1.50	
Children's Playtime Magazine	2.00	
Virginia Leach	1.00	
Nathaniel Dame	20.00	
Readers' Digest	4.00	
National Geographic	6.00	
Vocational Guidance	3.30	
H. W. Wilson Co.	5.60	
F. W. Faxon Co.	2.00	
		$ 5,300.00

Alexander Hall

Appropriation		$ 250.00
John Spindler	$ 120.00	
Paul Mayberry	17.00	
Percy Goodspeed	4.77	
Carrie J. Carr	57.32	
Avery's	3.81	
Hamilton Cregar	15.07	

L. J. Spaulding	10.00	
Wilson's, Inc.	15.03	
A. L. Goodrich	7.00	
		$ 250.00

Insurance

Appropriation		$ 4,000.00
Roy Fish	$ 133.06	
Powell Agency	2,956.69	
Colton's Agency	192.85	
	$ 3,282.60	
Balance to Revenue	717.40	
		$ 4,000.00

Interest

Appropriation		$ 200.00
Balance to Revenue		$ 200.00

Damages

Appropriation		$ 200.00
County of Franklin	$ 50.00	
Balance to Revenue	150.00	
		$ 200.00

Clock and Fountain

Appropriation	$ 150.00	
Reserve Fund	187.25	
		$ 337.25
Howard Clock Products	$ 225.00	
Willis Parker	75.00	
Northfield Water Co.	25.00	
Hamilton Cregar	4.25	
	$ 329.25	
Balance to Reserve Fund	8.00	
		$ 337.25

Town Reports and Valuation Lists

Appropriation		$ 1,700.00
E. A. Hall & Co.	$ 1,538.00	
Wm. Hoehn	25.00	
Ward's Stationers	1.20	

Postage	40.00	
	$ 1,604.20	
Balance to Revenue	95.80	
		$ 1,700.00

Tax Title Foreclosure Costs

Appropriation	$ 300.00
Balance to Revenue	$ 300.00

Protection Tax Title Property

Appropriation	$ 25.00
Balance to Revenue	$ 25.00

Memorial Day

Appropriation		$ 275.00
Emblem Flag Co.	$ 2.95	
Winthrop Spencer	15.75	
Avery's	32.40	
Alice Kenney	60.00	
Harold Lord	10.00	
Orange H. S. Band	125.00	
Wilson's, Inc.	20.90	
N. S. for Girls	5.02	
	$ 272.02	
Balance to Revenue	2.98	
		$ 275.00

Civil Defense

1954 Balance	$ 140.64	
Appropriation	100.00	
		$ 240.64
N. S. for Girls	$ 12.78	
Horace Field	1.25	
F. M. Dunnell	7.94	
Kidder & Co.	39.00	
	$ 60.97	
Balance to 1956	179.67	
		$ 240.64

Playground and Athletic Field

Appropriation		$ 400.00
John Ware	$ 98.00	
William Janes	40.00	
J. L. Dunnell & Son	5.50	
Walter Shaw	18.13	
Smead Lumber Co.	2.94	
Melvin Miller	56.00	
Hamilton Cregar	26.53	
Morgan Garage	11.56	
Spencer Bros.	4.48	
	$ 263.14	
Balance to Revenue	136.86	
		$ 400.00

Fish

Appropriation		$ 200.00
Cape Cod Trout Co.		$ 200.00

Repairs Discontinued School Buildings

Appropriation		$ 1,000.00
The Hubers	$ 750.00	
Balance to Revenue	250.00	
		$ 1,000.00

Repairs Roof Old Fire Station

Appropriation		$ 100.00
Leavis & Bolton	$ 98.40	
Balance to Overlay Reserve	1.60	
		$ 100.00

Reserve Fund

Overlay Reserve		$ 5,000.00
Town Clerk's expense	$ 75.00	
Town Hall	197.30	
Constables' pay and expense	13.17	
Fire Dept.	1,484.65	
Dutch Elm Control	122.34	
Dog Officer	43.85	
Inspection of Animals	8.98	
Sidewalk Repairs	242.00	
Snow Removal	1,570.62	
Aid to Dependent Children	630.00	

Clock and Fountain	187.25	
Cemeteries	34.90	
	$ 4,610.06	
Balance	389.94	
Unexpended balance Town Clerk's expense	16.20	
Unexpended balance Clock and Fountain	8.00	
Balance to Overlay Reserve	414.14	
		$ 5,000.00

World War II Memorial List

1954 Balance		$ 75.00
National Library Bindery Co.	$ 50.00	
Marion Given	18.00	
	$ 68.00	
Balance to Revenue	7.00	
		$ 75.00

World War II Memorial

Surplus Revenue		$ 950.00
Brown, Stevens, Fifield	$ 833.00	
Balance to Surplus Revenue	117.00	
		$ 950.00

Purchase Set Annotated Laws

Surplus Revenue		$ 130.00
John F. Doyle	$ 120.32	
Balance to Surplus Revenue	9.68	
		$ 130.00

Radio Communication System

Overlay Reserve		$ 1,500.00
Com. of Mass.	$ 1,474.00	
Balance to 1956	26.00	
		$ 1,500.00

Cemeteries

Appropriation	$ 1,500.00	
Reserve Fund	34.90	
		$ 1,534.90
Ernest Kenney	$ 991.10	
Philip Holton	12.60	
Carlton Holton	72.98	

John Hammond	10.60	
Ralph Holton	80.00	
Russell Fisher	11.00	
Northfield Water Co.	12.00	
C. V. R. R.	5.00	
William Hoehn	1.50	
Hamilton Cregar	10.06	
Potter Grain Stores	14.42	
G. O. Dunnell	6.90	
Stanley Johnson	5.72	
Johnson & Johnson	6.50	
Stearns Garage	14.54	
G. C. Buffum	3.17	
Kidder & Co.	44.98	
David Quinn	75.00	
Murray Hammond	6.30	
Smead Lumber Co.	87.50	
H. R. Blake	32.00	
William Stewart	31.03	
		$ 1,534.90

Cemetery Lots Filing System

1954 Balance		$ 227.25
Ernest Kenney	$ 12.00	
Balance to 1956	215.25	
		$ 227.25

Veterans' Grave Markers

Appropriation		$ 50.00
Emblem Flag Co.		$ 50.00

Fire Station Bond Maturing Debt and Interest

Appropriation		$ 4,404.00
Day Trust Co.—Bond	$ 3,000.00	
Day Trust Co.—Interest	1,404.00	
		$ 4,404.00

Fire Station and Town Garage

1954 Balance		$ 6,915.32
Thomas J. Gass Co.	$ 6,049.86	
Avery's	17.10	
Hamilton Cregar	16.28	
Smead Lumber Co.	143.02	

William Durant	200.10	
	$ 6,426.36	
Balance to 1956	488.96	
		$ 6,915.32

O.A.A. Administration — U.S.G.

Balance January 1, 1955	$ 835.02	
Receipts	1,217.82	
		$ 2,052.84
Shirley Kehl	$ 1,173.28	
Shirley Kehl, travel	45.26	
Thomas Hurley, postage	12.00	
Barrett & Baker	4.32	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	16.60	
U. C. S. of Boston	2.50	
P. W. Adm. Ass'n	3.00	
	$ 1,256.96	
Balance to 1956	795.88	
		$ 2,052.84

O.A.A. — U.S.G.

Balance January 1, 1955	$. 9,194.81	
Receipts	21,396.39	
Refunds	197.65	
Recovery	2.12	
		$ 30,790.97
Sundry persons	$ 20,318.44	
Balance to 1956	10,472.53	
		$ 30,790.97

A.D.C. Administration — U.S.G.

Balance January 1, 1955	$ 473.41	
Receipts	624.20	
		$ 1,097.61
Shirley Kehl	$ 586.64	
Shirley Kehl, travel	28.59	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	16.75	
Avery's	1.14	
Thomas Hurley, postage	6.00	
Remington Rand	14.30	
	$ 653.42	
Balance to 1956	444.19	
		$ 1,097.61

A.D.C. — U.S.G.

Balance January 1, 1955	$ 722.80	
Receipts	3,316.20	
		$ 4,039.00
Sundry persons	$ 3,599.65	
Balance to 1956	439.35	
		$ 4,039.00

D.A. Administration — U.S.G.

Balance January 1, 1955	$ 217.02	
Receipts	100.62	
		$ 317.64
Balance to 1956		$ 317.64

D.A. — U.S.G.

Balance January 1, 1955	$ 1,113.61	
Receipts	822.75	
Refund	28.20	
		$ 1,964.56
Sundry persons	$ 1,155.32	
Balance to 1956	809.24	
		$ 1,964.56

School Lunch

Balance January 1, 1955	$ 3,589.67	
Receipts	16,808.28	
		$ 20,397.95
General Baking Co.	$ 678.52	
Tenney Farms Dairy	4,854.79	
Cecil Wilson	321.68	
Robert Dumbreck	74.70	
G. Giovino Co.	397.78	
Berkshire Frosted Foods	3,224.43	
John Sexton & Co.	1,375.17	
Com. of Mass.	87.50	
Mark Aldrich	737.95	
George Leonard	8.00	
Sumner Turner	18.00	
Walter Kisloski	27.00	
Andrew Plotczyk	25.33	
Clarkdale Farms	28.75	
Way Foss	78.50	
Progressive Ideas, Inc.	471.16	
Holcomb Co.	38.25	
Cascade Paper Co.	34.53	

Ward's Stationers	10.88	
Reynolds Electric Corp.	8.22	
Hamilton S. Cregar	192.77	
Geo. Sheldon	32.00	
Edward Bolton	116.30	
Lindell's & Salter's Express	107.21	
Minnie Huber	1,771.00	
Susie Hillock	1,296.20	
Ruth Johnson	326.20	
Rose Huber	174.40	
Jennie Wozniak	128.00	
Hazel Stratton	13.20	
Martha Bigelow	55.50	
Donna Glazier	82.50	
Adriel Carpenter	28.00	
Sundry persons	14.50	
Beryle Hammond	3.42	
	$ 16,849.84	
Balance to 1956	3,548.11	
		$ 20,397.95

School Athletics

Balance January 1, 1955	$ 137.10	
Receipts	411.50	
		$ 548.60
The Northfield	$ 170.00	
Lawton Dry Cleaners	34.15	
Athletic Trainers' Supply	46.02	
Sundry persons, Referees	202.00	
	$ 452.17	
Balance to 1956	96.43	
		$ 548.60

Smith-Hughes-Barden Fund

Balance January 1, 1955	$ 334.62	
Receipts	200.00	
		$ 534.62
Mrs. Sylvia Spencer	$ 100.00	
Mrs. Adrian Savage	200.00	
Miss Harriet Hawkes	34.62	
	$ 334.62	
Balance to 1956	200.00	
		$ 534.62

Belcher Library Fund

Balance January 1, 1955	$ 349.36	
Interest	190.03	
		$ 539.39
Leavis & Bolton	$ 277.92	
Balance to 1956	261.47	
		$ 539.39

Dickinson Book Fund

Balance January 1, 1955	$ 54.58	
Interest	79.26	
		$ 133.84
Library Book House		$ 133.84

P.C. Center, Mt. H., So. Mt.

Balance January 1, 1955	$ 321.71	
Interest	386.42	
		$ 708.13
Ernest Kenney	$ 255.20	
Melvin Miller	16.00	
Elton Kinsman	22.60	
	$ 293.80	
Balance to 1956	414.33	
		$ 708.13

P.C. Northfield Farms

Balance January 1, 1955	$ 55.44	
Interest	90.42	
		$ 145.86
William Stewart	$ 50.63	
Murray Hammond	42.05	
Merle Jones	19.00	
Dana Clough, Jr.	3.00	
Leslie Rice	17.25	
Thomas Russell, Sr.	2.00	
Kidder & Co.	11.76	
	$ 145.69	
Balance to 1956	.17	
		$ 145.86

P.C. West Northfield

Balance January 1, 1955	$ 211.20	
Interest	231.37	
		$ 442.57
W. F. Hoehn	$ 2.00	
A. W. Higgins	61.50	
David Gibson	38.67	
Rita Gibson	17.85	
Carlton Holton	10.00	
Ruth Holton	44.00	
Elton Kinsman	6.50	
Kidder & Co.	85.07	
	$ 265.59	
Balance to 1956	176.98	
		$ 442.57

Mary Callender Cemetery Fund

Balance January 1, 1955	$ 56.68	
Interest	15.11	
		$ 71.79
David Quinn	$ 40.00	
Balance to 1956	31.79	
		$ 71.79

Calvin Stearns Cemetery Fund

Balance January 1, 1955	$ 31.48	
Interest	15.11	
		$ 46.59
David Quinn	$ 28.07	
Balance to 1956	18.52	
		$ 46.59

Recapitulation

	Appropriation	Payments	Balance
Moderator	$ 25.00	$ 25.00	——
Selectmen & Welfare Board	1,200.00	1,200.00	——
Selectmen's expense	250.00	216.28	$ 33.72
Accountant	950.00	950.00	——
Accountant's expense	75.00	75.00	——
Legal expense	250.00	250.00	——
Tax Collector	750.00	750.00	——
Tax Collector's expense	500.00	492.70	7.30
Treasurer	900.00	900.00	——
Treasurer's expense	400.00	400.00	——
Assessors & Clerk	1,400.00	1,400.00	——
Assessors' expense	225.00	214.38	10.62
Town Clerk	500.00	500.00	——
Election & Registration	950.00	912.88	37.12
Town Hall	4,997.30	4,997.30	——
Constables	763.17	763.17	——
Constable Uniforms	252.00	252.00	——
Fire Dept.	4,484.65	4,484.65	——
Hydrants	400.00	400.00	——
Waterholes	400.00	400.00	——
Maintenance Fire Station	1,500.00	1,089.50	410.50
Fire Truck	17,000.00	17,000.00	——
Fire Hose & Portable Pump	1,000.00	1,000.00	——
Public Safety	25.00	25.00	——
Wire Inspector	50.00	——	50.00
Sealer Weights & Measures	150.00	150.00	——
Sealer's expense	25.00	25.00	——
Gypsy Moth	650.00	649.55	.45
Dutch Elm	872.34	872.34	——
Tree Warden	600.00	599.62	.38
Dog Officer	193.85	193.85	——
Health	1,300.00	971.44	328.56
Nurse & Substitute	2,750.00	2,750.00	——
Nurse's expense	75.00	61.15	13.85
Nurse's Car expense	500.00	296.53	203.47

	Appropriation	Payments	Balance
Inspection of Animals	183.98	183.98	——
Inspection of Meat & Slaughter	50.00	25.00	25.00
Tools	200.00	184.69	15.31
Chapter 81	22,750.00	22,741.36	8.64
Chapter 90 Construction	8,000.00	7,999.93	.07
Chapter 90 Pine Meadow Bridge	3,690.50	3,690.05	.45
Chapter 90 Maintenance	3,000.00	2,999.98	.02
East Street Improvement	2,000.00	1,626.38	373.62
Railings	900.00	891.41	8.59
Bridges	3,000.00	2,760.92	239.08
Sidewalk Repairs	1,242.00	1,242.00	——
Snow Removal	7,070.62	7,070.62	——
Highway Work	2,000.00	1,999.27	.73
Street Lights	5,346.00	5,302.00	44.00
Highway Bounds, Surveys, Plans	250.00	110.50	139.50
P. W. Administration	2,500.00	1,930.41	569.59
General Relief	3,800.00	1,746.99	2,053.01
O.A.A.	38,048.85	35,223.81	2,825.04
A.D.C.	6,880.95	6,486.41	394.54
D.A.	2,500.00	2,249.73	250.27
Soldiers' Relief	3,500.00	1,539.88	1,960.12
School Committee	300.00	300.00	——
Schools	99,900.00	99,898.66	1.34
School Lunch Remodeling	975.00	975.00	——
Adult Vocational	700.00	674.43	25.57
P.V. Regional School Operating Budget and Interest	1,767.93	1,767.93	——
Northfield Farms Library	150.00	150.00	——
Dickinson Library	5,300.00	5,300.00	——
Alexander Hall	250.00	250.00	——
Insurance	4,000.00	3,282.60	717.40
Interest	200.00	——	200.00
Damages	200.00	50.00	150.00
Town Reports & Valuation Lists	1,700.00	1,604.20	95.80
Tax Title Foreclosure Costs	300.00	——	300.00
Protection Tax Title Property	25.00	——	25.00
Memorial Day	275.00	272.02	2.98
Playground & Athletic Field	400.00	263.14	136.86

	Appropriation	Payments	Balance
Fish	200.00	200.00	——
Repairs to Discontinued Schoolhouses	1,000.00	750.00	250.00
W. W. II List & expenses	75.00	68.00	7.00
Cemeteries	1,534.90	1,534.90	——
Grave Markers	50.00	50.00	——
Fire Station Bond & Interest	4,404.00	4,404.00	——
Unexpended Balances to Revenue			
Machinery Maintenance	5,500.00	4,880.43	619.57
Purchase Truck	2,500.00	2,345.00	155.00
Unexpended Balances to Road Machinery Fund			
Town Clerk's expense	155.00	138.80	16.20
Highland Circuit Survey	300.00	295.00	5.00
Clock and Fountain	337.25	329.25	8.00
Repairs Roof of Old Fire Station	100.00	98.40	1.60
Reserve Fund	5,000.00	4,610.06	389.94
Balances to Overlay Reserve			
Purchase of Road Machinery	7,750.00	7,649.28	100.72
Chapter 90 Storm Damage	8,000.00	7,999.86	.14
W. W. II Memorial	950.00	833.00	117.00
Annotated Laws	130.00	120.32	9.68
Balances to Surplus Revenue			
Civil Defense	240.64	60.97	179.67
Two Way Radio Communication	1,500.00	1,474.00	26.00
Cemetery Lots Filing System	227.25	12.00	215.25
Fire Station & Town Garage	6,915.32	6,426.36	488.96
Balances to 1956			
Refunds on Taxes		969.06	
Costs on Taxes		104.25	
O.A.A. Adm. U.S.G.		1,256.96	
O.A.A. Adm. U.S.G.		20,318.44	
A.D.C. Adm. U.S.G.		653.42	
A.D.C. Adm. U.S.G.		3,599.65	
D.A. Adm. U.S.G.		1,155.32	
School Lunch		16,849.84	
School Athletics		452.17	
Dog Licenses		662.40	
Federal Withholding Taxes		12,419.00	

	Appropriation	Payments	Balance
County Retirement Deductions		1,586.33	
Mass. Hospital Service		1,454.70	
State Parks & Reservations		337.57	
State Audit		893.46	
U. S. Bond Interest		250.00	
Veterans' Service Center		762.12	
County Retirement System		1,815.10	
County Tax		9,605.06	
County Dog Officer		202.00	
Wild Cat Bounty		50.00	
Belcher Library Fund Interest		277.92	
Dickinson Book Fund Interest		133.84	
P.C. Center, Mt. H., So. Mt.		293.80	
P.C. Northfield Farms		145.69	
P.C. West Northfield		265.59	
P.C. Mary Callender Fund Interest		40.00	
P.C. Calvin Stearns Fund Interest		28.07	
Smith-Hughes-Barden Fund		334.62	
Trust Funds		450.00	
Total cash payments by warrants		$385,096.59	
Cash on hand December 31, 1955		112,832.63	
		$497,929.22	

BALANCE SHEET, TOWN OF NORTHFIELD

DECEMBER 31, 1955

Assets		
Cash		$112,832.63
Accounts Receivable		
Taxes		
Levy of 1951		
Real Estate		54.00
Levy of 1952		
Real Estate		139.40
Levy of 1953		
Personal Property	$ 16.00	
Real Estate	579.40	595.40
Levy of 1954		
Polls	44.00	
Personal Property	730.93	
Real Estate	5,842.78	6,617.71
Levy of 1955		
Polls	180.00	
Personal Property	2,361.00	
Real Estate	14,442.43	16,983.43

Liabilities and Reserves		
Pay Roll Deductions		
Federal Taxes	$ 1,093.60	
County Retirement	193.88	$ 1,287.48
County—Dog Licenses		3.60
Tailings		275.38
Trust Funds Income		
Elisha Alexander Charity	515.01	
George Morgan Charity	222.49	
Roselle Evans Worthy Poor	127.74	
Belcher Center School	74.38	
Belcher Library	261.47	
Montague Library	54.47	
P.C. Center, Mt. Hermon, So. Mt. Cemetery	414.33	
P.C. Northfield Farms	.17	
P.C. West Northfield	176.98	
P.C. Mary Callender	31.79	
P.C. Calvin Stearns	18.52	1,897.35
O.A.A. Recovery		5,460.97
Federal Grants		
O.A.A. Adm.	795.88	
O.A.A. Assistance	10,472.53	

Motor Vehicle & Trailer Excise		
Levy of 1954	1,992.92	
Levy of 1955	5,199.20	7,192.12
Tax Title & Possessions		
Tax Title	4,334.84	
Tax Possessions	417.66	4,752.50
Departmental		
Sidewalks	112.38	
O.A.A.	6.38	
A.D.C.	1,150.99	
Schools	261.30	1,531.05
Aid to Highways		
State	25,309.00	
County	2,000.00	27,309.00
A.D.C. Adm.	444.19	
A.D.C. Assistance	439.35	
D.A. Adm.	317.64	
D.A. Assistance	809.24	
Smith-Hughes-Barden Vocational	200.00	13,478.83
Revolving Funds		
School Lunch	3,548.11	
School Athletics	96.43	3,644.54
Appropriation Balances		
Civil Defense	179.67	
Radio Communications	26.00	
Cemetery Filing System	215.25	
Fire Station & Town Garage	488.96	
Sale of Real Estate		1,260.00
Sale of Cemetery Lots		1,705.12
Road Machinery Fund		9,052.36
Gypsy Moth		330.56
Overlay Reserve		7,684.44
Overlays Reserved for Abatements		
1951 Overlay	54.00	
1952 Overlay	139.40	
1953 Overlay	595.40	
1954 Overlay	2,900.14	
1955 Overlay	3,806.47	7,495.41

			Revenue Reserved until Collected	
			M.V. & Trailer Excise	7,192.12
			Tax Title & Possessions	4,752.50
			Departmental	1,531.05
			State & County Aid to Hwy.	27,309.00
				40,784.67
			Overestimates of 1955	
			State Parks & Reservations	46.19
			County Tax	139.94
				186.13
			Surplus Revenue	82,549.42
	$178,007.24			$178,007.24

Debt Account			
Net Funded or Fixed Debt	$ 57,000.00	Fire Station and Town Garage Loan	$ 57,000.00

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Trust & Investment Funds		Elisha Alexander Charity Fund	$ 2,020.00
In Custody of Treasurer	$ 62,609.55	Martha Alexander Charity Fund	9,421.71
In Custody of Selectmen	2,323.00	Lottie Evans Charity Fund	900.56
In Custody of Trustees	9,421.71	George F. Morgan Charity Fund	3,000.00
In Custody of Cemetery Commissioners	203.50	Rosella Evans Worthy Poor Fund	500.00
		Surplus Revenue School Fund	1,600.00
		Belcher Center School Fund	1,250.00
		Belcher Library Fund	9,739.01
		Dickinson Book Fund	3,000.00
		Montague Library Fund	2,000.00

		Cowles Cemetery Fund	2,000.00
		Belcher Cemetery Fund	2,000.00
		Calvin Stearns Cemetery Fund	500.00
		Mary Callender Cemetery Fund	500.00
		West Northfield Cemetery Funds	8,670.00
		P.C. Cemetery Funds	
		In Custody of Treasurer	13,664.75
		In Custody of Selectmen	303.00
		In Custody of Cemetery Com.	203.50
		Post War Rehabilitation Fund	13,285.23
	$ 74,557.76		$ 74,557.76

STATE AUDIT, TOWN OF NORTHFIELD

Balance Sheet — December 31, 1954

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Assets			*Liabilities and Reserves*		
Cash		$147,276.34	Employees' Payroll Deductions:		
Accounts Receivable:			Federal Taxes	$ 969.92	
Taxes:			County Retirement System	134.28	
Levy of 1951:					$ 1,104.20
Real Estate		147.00	Sale of Dog—Due County		3.00
Levy of 1952:			Tailings—Unclaimed Checks		275.38
Personal Property	$ 81.30		Trust Fund Income:		
Real Estate	623.10		Elisha Alexander Charity Fund	$ 454.41	
		704.40	George F. Morgan Charity Fund	131.81	
Levy of 1953:			Roselle Evans Charity Fund	112.63	
Poll	$ 14.00		Belcher Center School Fund	40.15	
Personal Property	182.08		Belcher Library Fund	349.36	
Real Estate	5,325.64		Maude Montague Library Fund	4.47	
		5,521.72	Charles P. Dickinson Library Book Fund	54.58	

Levy of 1954:		
Poll	$ 116.00	
Personal Property	2,498.61	
Real Estate	15,217.51	
		17,832.12
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:		
Levy of 1952	$ 34.50	
Levy of 1953	1,363.69	
Levy of 1954	4,347.32	
		5,745.51
Tax Titles and Possessions:		
Tax Titles	$ 3,918.74	
Tax Possessions	417.66	
		4,336.40
Departmental:		
Sidewalk Construction	$ 162.38	
Aid to Dependent Children	738.69	
Old Age Assistance	91.07	
Veterans' Services	60.17	
Schools	702.00	
		1,754.31
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	321.71	
West Northfield Cemetery Fund	211.20	
Northfield Farms Cemetery Fund	55.44	
Mary H. Callender Cemetery Fund	56.68	
Calvin Stearns Cemetery Fund	31.48	
		1,823.92
Federal Grants:		
Disability Assistance:		
Administration	$ 217.02	
Assistance	1,113.61	
Aid to Dependent Children:		
Administration	473.41	
Assistance	722.80	
Old Age Assistance:		
Administration	835.02	
Assistance	9,194.81	
Vocational Education:		
Smith-Hughes, George Barden Fund	334.62	
		12,891.29

Aid to Highways:		
State	$ 16,672.27	
County	6,000.00	
		22,672.27
Overdrawn Accounts:		
Due From County:		
Wildcat Bounty	$ 20.00	
Dog Officer Expense	6.50	
		26.50
Underestimate 1954 Assessments:		
Gypsy and Brown Tail Moth		330.56
Revolving Funds:		
School Lunch	$ 3,589.67	
School Athletics	137.10	
		3,726.77
Appropriation Balances:		
General:		
Fire Truck	$ 17,000.00	
Chapter 90 Bridge — Pine Meadow	3,690.50	
Civil Defense	140.64	
World War II Memorial List	75.00	
Cemetery Lots Filing System	227.25	
Non-Revenue:		
Fire Station and Garage	6,915.32	
		28,048.71
Overestimates 1954 Assessments:		
State Recreation Areas	$ 1.70	
County Tax	1,488.14	
		1,489.84
Sale of Real Estate Fund		1,260.00
Sale of Cemetery Lots Fund		1,585.12
Road Machinery Fund		7,486.44
Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus		10,858.88

Overlays Reserved for Abatements:			
Levy of 1951	$ 147.00		
Levy of 1952	704.40		
Levy of 1953	4,423.62		
Levy of 1954	2,914.64		
		8,189.66	
Revenue Reserved Until Collected:			
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	$ 5,745.51		
Tax Title and Possession	4,336.40		
Departmental	1,754.31		
Aid to Highway	22,672.27		
		34,508.49	
Surplus Revenue		93,095.43	
	$206,347.13		$206,347.13

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt	$ 60,000.00	Fire Station and Garage Loan	$ 60,000.00

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Trust and Investment Funds:	
Cash and Securities:	
In Custody of Treasurer	$ 61,810.77
In Custody of Selectmen	2,323.00
In Custody of Trustees	9,421.71
In Custody of Cemetery Commissioners	203.50

In Custody of Treasurer:

Lottie Evans Charity Fund	$ 888.35	
George F. Morgan Charity Fund	3,000.00	
Roselle Evans Charity Fund	500.00	
Surplus Revenue School Fund	1,600.00	
Belcher Center School Fund	1,250.00	
Belcher Library Fund	9,739.01	
Charles P. Dickinson Library Book Fund	3,000.00	
Maude Montague Library Fund	2,000.00	
James W. Cowles Cemetery Fund	2,000.00	
Belcher Center Cemetery Fund	2,000.00	
Calvin Stearns Cemetery Fund	500.00	
Mary H. Callender Cemetery Fund	500.00	
West Northfield Cemetery Fund	8,470.00	
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	13,414.75	
Post-War Rehabilitation Fund	12,948.66	
		$ 61,810.77

In Custody of Selectmen:

Elisha Alexander Charity Fund	$ 2,020.00	
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	303.00	
		2,323.00

	In Custody of Trustees:	
	Martha W. Alexander Charity Fund	9,421.71
	In Custody of Cemetery Commissioners:	
	Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	203.50
$ 73,758.98		$ 73,758.98

DICKINSON LIBRARY REPORT

During the library year 1955-6, the Board of Trustees of the Dickinson Memorial Library consisted of the following members: Mrs. Louise M. Reeves, Chairman; Mrs. Jean P. Hatheway; Mrs. Lillian G. Wells; Mr. Luman A. Barber; Mr. Horace H. Morse, Secretary; and Mr. Winthrop W. Sanderson.

At the town meeting of February 7, 1955, Mrs. Jean P. Hatheway and Mr. Horace H. Morse were elected to the Library Board to serve for three years.

In April Mrs. Frederick G. Huber resigned as assistant-librarian. Mrs. David C. Cook was appointed in her place and has been doing excellent work.

At the beginning of last year iron railings were placed at the entrance to the Library and have improved its appearance and afforded a safer approach to the building. Under the Dickinson Memorial Plaque new shelves have been installed and give much needed space for the display of books. A rotating globe of the world is a recent and most useful addition to the equipment of the reference department.

The Librarian's Report states too modestly the increasing use and appreciation of the Library. For many years the Trustees have managed never to expand more than the budget which the Town has voted for the Library, but with steadily increasing expenses for salaries, books, materials, and repairs, they have had to ask for larger sums almost every year. These the Town has granted and consequently the activities of the Library have been expanded, the building has been well cared for, and the excellent and experienced service of the staff retained. By the continuance of this policy we may expect the Library to seize the opportunities and meet the needs of a modern community.

LOUISE M. REEVES, Chairman
HORACE H. MORSE, Secretary

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Report of the librarian to the trustees of the Dickinson Memorial Library, for the year 1955.

The total circulation of books, magazines, etc., at the library, for the year 1955, shows an increase of 1730 over the preceding year, and an increase of 3369 in the past two years.

Circulation distributed as follows:

Books, adult fiction	8,520
Books, adult non-fiction	3,249
Books, juvenile fiction	7,864
Books, juvenile non-fiction	2,259
Magazines, adult	1,458
Magazines, juvenile	400
Interlibrary loan, books	19
Bookmobile books, adult	2,063
Bookmobile books, juvenile	1,174
	27,006

Total number of books added to the library by gift and purchase, follows:

Purchased, adult fiction	119
Purchased, adult non-fiction	61
Purchased, juvenile fiction	47
Purchased, juvenile non-fiction	28
	255
Gifts, adult fiction	62
Gifts, adult non-fiction	150
Gifts, juvenile fiction	19
Gifts, juvenile non-fiction	8
	239
Total	494

A substantial increase in book prices, as well as in supplies, rebinding, etc., meant that fewer books could be purchased this year.

During the year, the Regional Library Center of Greenfield, through the bookmobile, loaned a total of 1648 volumes, which included 8 in the Polish language. These figures do not include books left at the Field Library and in West Northfield as formerly, only those left at the library. Nineteen books not available at the Center, which were requested by patrons, were obtained from Boston or other State libraries, on interlibrary loan.

Fines on overdue books and magazines, and charges for damaged or lost books were collected and paid to the town treasurer, Mr. Charles Slate, to the amount of $243.30.

Resident registrations are now 937 and 16 non-residents paid $1.00 for the use of the library for one year.

Twenty-eight children, from grades 3 through 8, entered the Summer Reading Contest held in July and August. A total of 268 books, an average of 9.5 per person, were read during the six week period. A party was given by Mrs. Phelps, librarian, at the library, on Monday afternoon, Aug. 15, for all contestants. Games were played and books awarded as prizes to the following winners: Stephen St. Clair, Amy St. Clair, Betsey Glazier, Brenda Billings, Joyce Roberts, and Beverly Phelps.

Some of the exhibits put on by the librarian during the year were:

Girl Scouts. Basketry.
Evelyn Parker. Unusual and interesting postcards.
Fortnightly. Afghans knitted for the Veteran's Service Committee.
United Nations Day.
National Education and National Book Week.

Running concurrently during Book Week was a special exhibit of 36 posters made by the art students of Mrs. Jeanette Rich, art teacher in our public schools, 6th through 12th grade.

An exhibit, loaned by Mrs. Wayne B. Wells, consisted of a fine collection of Japanese wood-block prints, footwear, silverware, and other articles, including many fine snapshots taken in Japan by her son, David Wells.

On Oct. 5th, Miss Gwendolyn Vannah, children's librarian from the Regional Library Center, showed the film, "And now Miguel," to 40 children from the 5th grade, Center School, Mrs. Evelyn Parker, teacher. The film was shown in the auditorium on the second floor, at 9:30 in the morning.

The beautiful Italian marble bust of a child, entitled "Don't touch me," presented to the library by Mr. Walter Hallam, now stands on the top of the new shelving unit mentioned in Mr. Morse's report.

At present the library subscribes to 15 magazines, and 21 are given to the library for circulation. Many of these are used as reference material by the students for school projects and class assignments.

The most outstanding gifts of books in 1955 were made by the following persons: Mrs. Evelyn Parker, Mr. Richard Aldrich of New York City, The Newton Library, Miss Olive Horne, Mrs. George Granger, Mrs. Alice M. Seeley, Mr. Philip Payne, Mrs. Harvey Hatheway, Mrs. Virginia Haack, Mrs. Dan Sutherland, Northfield School for Girls and Dr. Albert C. Fulton.

The librarians wish to thank the trustees for their help and cooperation during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. FLORENCE H. PHELPS,
Librarian.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

The Fire Department has experienced another busy year. Although we answered only 46 calls this year as compared to 51 calls during 1954, our entire year has been occupied by extra activities.

The new Maxim Fire Truck was delivered on the first of January. As it was new and different in operation and detail, many hours were spent learning the operation and maintenance of the truck. Final acceptance of the truck was made on February 15 by the purchasing committee, Howard William, Dwight Stearns and F. M. Dennell, Jr.

Our first regular meeting in the new Fire Station was February 3. Much time was consumed in moving our equipment to the new quarters.

Also in February an invitation was extended to our townspeople, firemen of neighboring towns and other interested persons to attend the Open House of the New Fire Station and a public demonstration of the new Maxim Fire Truck on March 6. A considerable number of people turned out for the occasion in spite of the bad weather.

Early in the Spring we answered about our usual number of grass and brush fire calls with several of them reaching serious proportions.

Because of our heavy wind and rain storms during the summer and early fall we answered six calls for burning wires downed by the wind or falling limbs and trees.

Late in July another 20 hour Fireman's Training Program was conducted. Under this course the Dept. of Education furnished us with an approved instructor, Capt. Leslie Ackerman of the Greenfield Fire Department.

Because of the rain during the Fall, brush and grass fires were at a minimum.

Late in November and during December we answered numerous calls for chimney fires and flooded oil burners. I want to emphasize at this time the need for proper care and maintenance of your heating apparatus.

During the year much work has been accomplished by the Special Radio Committee of the Tri State Fire Mutual Aid Association toward the completion of a Two way Radio System between this town and the other 42 towns, cities and districts under Mutual Aid. This system should be in full operation by late Spring 1956.

And so, another year has passed along, leaving us with several memorable fires we shall not forget. These are the building fires. These are the fires most of us keep talking about. Surely, we feel sorry for the other fellow who neglected his heating apparatus or overloaded his electrical circuits. We feel sorry for the families who are not adequately protected by insurance. We feel sorry for the person who has lost many personal effects that money will not be able to purchase. But stop right now and think, this could happen to your own home, caused by your own chimney, your own heating apparatus or your own appliances. This possibly could be more than your personal belongings, such as a loved one's life. Just remember don't give fire a place to start.

In conclusion, the following is a breakdown of the fire calls received and answered during 1955:

Chimney Fires	9
Brush and Grass	15
Building	6
Automobile	2
Flooded Oil Burners	5
Burning Wires	6
Mutual Aid	1
Sundry	2
Total fires	46

Respectfully submitted,

FLOYD M. DUNNELL, JR.,
Fire Chief.

FOREST FIRE WARDEN

During the year there were 786 burning permits issued. I would like to remind the townspeople of the state requirement of obtaining a permit for all outdoor fires. All permits are recorded and filed.

The town of Northfield is observed for fires by three state forest fire towers, and when a fire is spotted a call is made to the local fire warden, who checks on issued permits. If no permit has been issued for that time and location, the Fire Department responds. Many times this response is unnecessary as well as an expense to the town, because someone thought that a small fire would not be observed.

Concluding my report, I would like to emphasize the fact that sometime someone's property may be in need of our fire fighters when they are out answering an unnecessary call because someone neglected to obtain a permit.

There were 15 grass and brush fires extinguished during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

DWIGHT P. STEARNS
Forest Fire Warden

TREE WARDEN REPORT

To the Selectmen and Citizens of the Town of Northfield:

I hereby submit my report as Tree Warden for the year ending December 31, 1955.

During the past year more than 25 trees were removed from our streets and highways also a number were trimmed. We were also out during all the high wind storms and electrical showers.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr. Patch and his crew from the Western Massachusetts Electric Co. for all the help they have given me the past year.

Respectfully submitted

KENNETH L. MILLER

Tree Warden

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

To the Selectmen and Citizens of the Town of Northfield:

I herewith submit my report as Moth Superintendent for the year ending December 31, 1955.

I would like to thank the Western Massachusetts Electric Company, and the residents of the Town of Northfield for helping us with some of the activities. I would also like to thank Mr. Kenneth Miller, the Tree Warden of Northfield, for his co-operation in helping to remove some of the diseased elm trees.

During the past year there were 89 samples taken and sent to the University of Massachusetts in Amherst for culture. The results were as follows:

81 had Dutch Elm Disease
7 Sterile
1 Cephalposprium

In West Northfield 9 elms were affected, with 13 in East Northfield, 25 in Northfield, and 34 in Northfield

Farms. There may possibly be 15 more trees that are diseased. Samples were not taken due to running out of funds.

There were twenty Dutch Elm Trees that were cut and disposed of by burning, leaving 61 diseased trees and possibly 15 more that should be taken care of by April, 1956, in order to check the disease from spreading to other trees. There were 31 large Elm trees trimmed of dead wood and broken branches which we removed and burned.

A total of 600 gallons of 12% and 6% solution of DDT was used to spray all Elm trees to control the leaf-eating insects and the Elm bark beetles which are known to spread the disease. The DDT material was bought by the town and put out on hourly basis. We find this method to be a cheaper and more thorough spraying program.

GYPSY MOTHS

Under the aerial spraying program conducted, the year 1954 apparently proved successful as there was no defoliation found this year. This year we spent two days afield, happy to report we found no infested areas of Gypsy Moths. A closer check should be kept this spring and fall so if we have any defoliation it can be taken care of by spot spraying these areas so as to keep it from spreading.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH S. BILMON

Report of Public Health Nurse

I herewith submit my second annual report as Public Health Nurse.

The annual Well Child Conference was held in June with Dr. Anthony Stone of Athol as examining pediatrician. Due to the large number of children desiring appointments the clinic was extended one and a half days beyond the usual three. Members of the Health Council, as sponsored by the Fortnightly, assisted in making appointments, providing transportation, and clerical work.

Two children, a boy and a girl, attended the Greenfield Health Camp during the months of July and August.

One case of poliomyelitis was diagnosed in Northfield this year. It was non-paralytic, occurring in November.

Eighty-nine children were seen at the Crippled Children's Clinic held monthly at Center School.

The Kiwanis Club made it possible for several needy children to receive dental care.

Through the kindness of several organizations food, clothing, and money was collected for a family who was burned out. Christmas gifts were also made available.

This year it was decided to increase the fee for nursing visits to $1. for local residents. Summer visitors will be charged at the rate of $1.50 per visit. Those needing transportation for emergencies, will be charged at the rate of 10¢ per mile.

A diabetic clinic was held in November with 29 residents participating. Specimens were examined for sugar and only one found with a slight trace, which was referred to the family physician.

The local Grange sponsored the Red Cross Blood Bank on November 18 and collected 61 pints of whole blood from 65 possible donors. Local doctors and nurses volunteered their time, as well as the Public Health Nurse.

In January a few people from Northfield donated to the Turners Falls Blood Bank.

Sixty-nine children were vaccinated with Salk vaccine as a preventive against paralytic poliomyelitis. There were 104 eligible children but due to the prevalence of adverse publicity there were many cancellations. Dr. Dean administered the shots assisted by Mrs. Billings and members of the Health Council. At this time it is uncertain whether the program will be continued this year.

During the year 6 in-service lectures were attended by your nurse as well as several conferences with the Public Health Supervisor. A two-day Maternity Institute in Holyoke was also attended.

The following is a summary of my work:

Non-communicable cases	1,024
Tuberculosis follow-ups	43
Infant	36
Acute cases	47
Antipartum	10
Postpartum	8
Transportation to Hospital and Drs. offices	24
Taken home from school, ill	22
Total visits made	1,214
Total fees collected	$636.25

Respectfully submitted,

MARIAN BILLINGS, R.N.
Public Health Nurse

Cemetery Commissioners' Report

The cemeteries of Northfield have had their usual care during the past year. The front fence at the Farms cemetery has been painted and makes quite an improvement.

The following bills have been approved and paid:

CENTER CEMETERY

William F. Hoehn	$ 1.50	Central Vermont Railway Inc.	5.00
Hamilton S. Cregar	10.06	Elton B. Kinsman	22.60
Johnson and Johnson	6.50	David G. Quinn	75.00
Stanley E. Johnson	5.72	Ralph Holton	80.00
G. O. Dunnell	6.90	Ernest Kenney	1,246.30
Stearns Garage	14.54	David G. Quinn care of M. Callendar lot	40.00
G. C. Buffum	3.32	David G. Quinn care of C. Stearns lot	28.07
Kidder and Company	28.80		
Northfield Water Company	12.00		$1,602.31
Melvin Miller	16.00		

WEST NORTHFIELD CEMETERY

William F. Hoehn	$ 2.00	Carlton Holton	82.98
W. N. Potter Grain Stores Inc.	14.42	David Gibson	38.67
Kidder and Company	85.07	Alexander Higgins	61.50
Elton B. Kinsman	6.50	Ruth L. Holton	44.00
Philip Holton	12.60	Rita Gibson	17.85
			$ 365.59

FARMS CEMETERY

William R. Stewart	$ 81.66	Leslie Rice	17.25
John Hammond	10.60	Smead Lumber Company	87.50
Murray M. Hammond	44.07	Murray M. Hammond	4.30
Russell Fisher	11.00	Kidder and Company	27.94
Merle Jones	19.00	H. R. Blake	32.00
Dana Clough	3.00		
Thomas Russell, Sr.	2.00		$ 339.90

MONEY RECEIVED FROM SALE OF LOTS

Elizabeth Middleton	W. Northfield	½ Lot #149½	$ 15.00
Ruth C. Bolton	W. Northfield	1 Lot #245	25.00
Ernest C. Whitney	Farms	½ Lot #106½	15.00
James H. Morgan	Center	½ Lot #400½	15.00

Hubert J. Eastman	W. Northfield	1 Lot #160	25.00
Oressa B. Sutherland	W. Northfield	1 Lot #208	25.00
			$120.00
Paid to the town of Northfield			$120.00

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID G. QUINN, Chairman
CARLTON W. HOLTON
MURRAY M. HAMMOND
Cemetery Commissioners.

VETERANS' AGENT REPORT

Submitted herewith is a report of the Central Franklin County District Veterans Service Center and the Veterans Benefits Department of the Town of Northfield for the year 1955.

1.	Active Service	354
2.	Bonus	701
3.	Compensation	495
4.	Death Benefits	665
5.	Discharges	378
6.	Education	493
7.	Employment	450
8.	Finance	415
9.	Housing	360
10.	Insurance	257
11.	Legal	407
12.	Loans	267
13.	Medical	902
14.	Notarizations	88
15.	Pension	432
16.	Photostats	3,505
17.	Recordings	50
18.	Selective Service	306
19.	Social Security	99
20.	Taxes	698
21.	Veterans Benefits	2,039
22.	Vital Statistics	1,402
23.	Unclassified	1,400
	Total	16,163

These figures represent contacts for all the former servicemen and women of any war under the jurisdiction of this district unit. The number of requests by the veterans of the Town of Northfield were in proportion to those of other member towns.

The Veterans Benefits Department of the Town of Northfield rendered financial assistance to six families during the year 1955. One of these cases is of a permanent nature with the remaining five classified as temporary. This resulted in expenditures of $1,539.88 with an estimated reimbursement of $769.94 to be made by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts under the provisions of Chapter 115 as amended, Massachusetts General Laws.

The outlook for the year 1956 would indicate a continued increase in the services of this department.

Respectfully submitted,

HOMER L. GAMELIN,
Veterans Agent.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Finance Committee was organized for the year on March 8, 1955 with Roger M. Greenwood as Chairman and Mildred E. Addison as Secretary. The Committee has held ten meetings and all financial matters coming before the town have been considered and recommendations made.

Transfers from the $5000 Reserve Fund were authorized as follows:

July	18—To Snow Removal Account	$	693.00
	To Fire Account		656.49
September	8—To Dog Officer Account		35.00
	To Town Clerk Expense Account		75.00
	To Town Clock Account		187.25
October	17—To the Fire Account		257.81
	To the Welfare Account A.D.C.		400.00
November	14—To the Welfare Account A.D.C.		230.00
December	5—To the Sidewalk Account		242.00
	To the Snow Removal Account		750.00
	To the Dog Officers Account		8.85

	To the Cemetery Account		34.90	
	To the Fire Account		414.87	
1956				
January	3—To the Town Hall Account		197.30	
	To the Constables Expense Account		13.17	
	To the Fire Account		155.48	
	To the Dutch Elm Control Account		122.48	
	To the Animal Inspection Account		8.98	
	To the Snow Removal Account		127.62	
	Total	$	4,610.20	
	Balance			$ 389.80

ROGER M. GREENWOOD, Chairman
MILDRED E. ADDISON, Secretary
FRED I. BOLTON
MARK B. ALDRICH
NORMAN F. FOWLER
GEORGE W. CARR

SCHOOL COMMITTEE REPORT

ORGANIZATION FOR YEAR 1955

School Committee

Roy J. Fish, Chairman	Term expires 1957
Irving Lawrence, Secretary	Term expires 1956
Evelyn True	Term expires 1958

Meetings of the School Committee

The regular meetings of the School Committee are held on the third Thursday of each month, except July and August, at 10:00 A.M. at the Center School.

Superintendent of Schools

F. Sumner Turner
Dartmouth A.B.—Harvard M.Ed.
Boston University—University of Massachusetts
Office, Center School, Tel. 757

School Secretary

Jean M. Smead

School Physician

F. Wilton Dean, M.D.

School Nurse

Marian C. Billings, R.N.

School Calendar (1956 - 1957)

Schools Open January 3, 1956	Close February 17, 1956
Schools Open February 17, 1956	Close April 13, 1956
Schools Open April 23, 1956	Close June 14, 1956
Schools Open September 5, 1956	Close December 21, 1956
Schools Open January 2, 1957	Close February 15, 1957

Report of School Superintendent

To the School Committee and Citizens of Northfield:

I am pleased to present herewith my eighth annual report dealing with the progress made within the public schools during the year 1955. This is the 219th report on public education in the Town of Northfield.

Changes in Personnel

At the close of school in June the following teachers resigned:

Mrs. Eleanor Hammond, High School
Mrs. Jean E. Kozlowski, High School
Mrs. Rae E. Janson, Center School
Mr. Hugh Hayden, Center School
Mrs. Virginia Raymond, Music Supervisor
Mrs. Ruth Johnson, assistant in the Cafeteria
Mrs. Rose Huber, assistant in the Cafeteria on October 20, 1955

Appointments

Mr. Aaron C. Barnard, B.E., Plymouth Teachers College—two years' teaching experience at Tamworth, N.H.—High School.

Mrs. Barbara Baker, B.S., Trinity College for Women—three years head of Biology Department, Cushing Academy—High School.

Mr. John Trumbull, B.A., University of Massachusetts—High School.

Mr. Harvey C. Cadwell, B.S. in Ed., Bridgewater State Teachers College—three years' teaching experience in Wendell—Center School.

Mrs. Mary L. Brady, B.S. in Ed., Bridgewater State Teachers College—Center School.

Mrs. Esther Galbraith, Springfield Conservatory of Music, formerly Music Supervisor in the Williamsburg and Charlemont Unions, presently Music Supervisor in Leyden and Powers Institute—Music Supervisor.

Mrs. Rose Huber—Assistant in the Cafeteria.

Mrs. Jennie Wozniak—Assistant in the Cafeteria.

Pupil Housing Conditions

An extra teacher was added to the High School staff during the summer and suitable arrangements for the use of both rooms of Alexander Hall were made through the kindness of the Alexander Hall Committee. These arrangements made it possible to lighten the teaching loads of most teachers, add classes in World History and Trigonometry to the program of studies, relieve Mr. Leonard of the coaching of girls' basketball, and to give Mr. Leonard a little more time for supervision. As Principal, Mr. Leonard should have still more

time for supervision and administrative duties. However, the end of all available space has been reached, and further changes will depend upon pupil electives and arrangements of schedules. The many shortcomings of the present situation are lightened by the decision of the member towns of the Pioneer Valley Regional School District to build the Regional High School to be ready by September 1957.

The number of pupils in Center School continues to increase with no possibility of gaining any further classroom space. At the present time the classes are divided as follows:

Grade	Number	Teacher
1	27	Mrs. Ruth Bolton
1	28	Mrs. Dorothea Holt
2	35	Mrs. Virginia Haack
2—3	30	Miss Mary L. Brady
3	35	Miss Mary Dalton
4	36	Mrs. Dorothy Herrick
5	40	Mrs. Evelyn Parker
6	37	Mr. Harvey Cadwell
Total	268	

The school census taken October 1, 1955, lists the names of 52 pupils expected to enter school this coming fall. The expected enrollment for September 1956 is:

Grade 1 — 52
Grade 2 — 55
Grade 3 — 48
Grade 4 — 52
Grade 5 — 36
Grade 6 — 40
Total —— 283

This is not good. This year we were forced to have one double grade. Next year there will be at least two such grades. The completion of the Regional School and the availability of rooms in the High School Building for elementary use can not come any too soon. To mitigate the unfortunate effects of overcrowding and double grades the School Committee is planning to engage for September an extra teacher for Center School. This teacher will act as a remedial and helping teacher for those who need extra attention and help, as well as giving assistance to the teachers.

Textbooks

During the year new textbooks were added in grade 2 through 6, Trigonometry, World History, Literature Grade 7 and 8, Refresher Arithmetic, General Science Grade 9, and Music Books Grade 7. Our increasing numbers call for many additional and many replacements to our present texts.

School Cafeteria

During the year 54,323 lunches and 12,953 additional bottles of milk have been served. At the present time about 370 are served each day. Work has begun on remodeling of the cafeteria kitchen. With the tremendous number of children fed each day the need for better dishwashing facilities is apparent. Already the water heating system on the boiler has been expended, the drain in the kitchen has been lowered and extended, a new stainless steel deep sink has been installed and a doorway cut through the wall for use of the pupils. A dishwashing machine and dish table are now being fabricated for installation. I wish to express my appreciation of the splendid work done in onr Lunch Program, by Mrs. Eugene Hammond, Mrs. Minnie Huber, Mrs. Susie Hillock and Mrs. Jennie Wosniak.

Adult Education

The Practical Art Classes, sponsored by the Northfield Evening Practical Art Program, have completed another very successful year. One hundred and seventeen adults enjoyed creative work and instruction in eight classes:

January to May 1955

Class	Number	Teacher
Rug Hooking	15	Mrs. Ralph Spencer
Chair Caning	12	Mr. Ralph Sargent
Sewing	12	Mrs. Adrian Savage
Total	39	

October to December 1955

Class	Number	Teacher
Early American Decoration	18	Miss Harriet Hawkes
Chair Caning	14	Mr. Ralph Sargent
Rug Braiding	17	Mrs. Ralph Spencer
Sewing, 2 Classes	29	Mrs. Adrian Savage
Total	78	

Total for Year 117

Instrumental Music

This year, instruction in instrumental music in school time was started by Mr. Eugene Gancarz, Instrumental Music teacher at the Northfield Schools. A wonderful start towards a school band has been made. The following numbers of pupils are enrolled: clarinets, 10; cornets, 12; drums, 5; trombones 3; and saxophones 2. The same interest is being shown in our neighboring towns and I am sure that we will have the makings of a real band when the Regional School opens.

Finances

This past year the educational program cost the local taxpayers $60,344.92. The total expenditures was $99,898.66, the difference of $39,553.74, for the most part, came from state reimbursements. The net increase in cost to the taxpayer was $1,443.20. The increase in school population has been as follows:

1952 - 342
1953 - 380
1954 - 406
1955 - 431
1956 - 448 (Estimated)

However, during this same period the cost per pupil from local taxation per fiscal year has steadily decreased:

1952 - $163.16
1953 - 152.26
1954 - 149.12
1955 - 142.04

The reimbursements for 1956 have been estimated as follows:

Chapter 70 as amended 1948, Ch. 643	$19,084.98
Vocational Tuition	704.72
Vocational Transportation	948.84
Transportation	14,467.23
State Wards, Tuition & Trans.	2,800.00
Supt. Salary & Travel	1,216.80
Tuition	1,369.00
Interest School Surplus Fund	22.00
	$40,613.57

These reimbursements depend, in part, on the expenditures and can vary from the estimated figures.

Next year's budget calls for an expenditure of $108,750.00. Except for $300. for water and current and $875.00 in transportation the increase goes for personal services. The major part of this increase is reflected by the salaries of the additional teacher in the High School for a full year and the additional teacher in the Center School from September until January. The increase in salaries is based on the following facts. The spiral of rising wages has not yet reached its peak. The supply of good teachers is very meager. The success of the educational program rests on good teachers. This town is competing with all other towns for the services of good teachers. This town must have a reasonable salary schedule to attract and retain good teachers. Industry is willing to pay higher wages to capable personnel, especially young men who would make fine teachers. Finally, the boys and girls of this town need good teachers as well as the boys and girls of any town.

In analyzing the costs of the School Department, it might be well to compare our spending with the spendings of our neighbors. In the school year 1954-55 Northfield spent from local taxation $147.72 per pupil. In Franklin County 14 towns spent more and 11 spent less. Considering the towns in Franklin County which maintain High Schools only one spent less and eight spent more. From all sources in total spending Northfield spent $239.99. In all towns in Franklin County eight spent less and seventeen spent more. Considering only the towns maintaining High Schools only three spent less and six spent more.

The following table shows how the school dollar was spent last year per pupil in average membership in comparison with the state as a whole and towns under 5,000 maintaining High Schools. With the exception of the money spent for transportation, Northfield spends less on most items than the average for the small towns or those of the state. The larger sum for transportation is found in the peculiar geographical set-up of our towns. Although our schools are in the center of town very few live near enough to walk.

Per Pupil Expenditures in Average Membership School Year 1954 - 1955

	State		Group III Small Towns with High		Northfield	
	Cost per Pupil	Per cent	Cost per Pupil	Per-cent	Cost per Pupil	Per-cent
General Control	$ 8.41	3.2	$ 10.60	4.4	$ 8.87	3.8
Salaries	176.77	67.6	150.16	62.5	144.61	61.9
Textbooks	3.50	1.4	4.64	1.9	3.09	1.3
Supplies	8.41	3.2	7.89	3.3	3.61	1.6
Janitor Service, Fuel, etc.	30.02	11.5	27.62	11.5	22.05	9.5
Repairs	12.09	4.6	7.73	3.2	6.91	3.0
Libraries	0.40	0.2	0.44	0.2	0.00	0.0
Health	3.92	1.5	3.00	1.2	2.10	1.0
Transportation	8.62	3.3	22.76	9.5	39.52	16.9
Tuition	2.98	1.1	0.45	0.2	0.00	0.0
Physical Education	2.03	0.8	1.67	0.7	0.29	0.1
School Lunch	0.84	0.3	1.07	0.4	0.00	0.0
Miscellaneous	3.34	1.3	2.32	1.0	2.01	0.9
Totals	$261.33	100.	$240.34	100.	$233.06	100.

Each year I have included an invitation to all townspeople, especially parents of our pupils, to visit our schools while in session and to see first hand the work, the problems, and the achievements

of our pupils. Attendance during American Education Week is gratifying but, in spite of our efforts, that week tends to become a bit stereotyped. Please take time from your busy schedules to come and see us in the normal activities of the average school day.

The fine achievements of our schools are the results of the cooperative efforts of the School Committee, Principals, Teachers, Secretarial staff, the other workers of our schools, parents and townspeople. I wish to heartily thank all for their continued cooperation and assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

F. SUMNER TURNER,
Superintendent of Schools

Report of School Organization

HIGH SCHOOL

Name	Subject or Grade	Where Educated
George M. Leonard	Principal Mathematics	Bridgewater State Teachers' College B.S. Boston University, M.Ed.
Evelyn G. Lawley	Assistant Principal Science Mathematics	Smith College, A.M. *Boston University
Nellie W. Dearstyne	Spanish English	American International College, B.A. Springfield College, M.Ed. *Columbia University *University Extension Merrill Business College
Conrad S. Bayley	Social Studies Physical Education	Tufts College, A.B.
M. Carleton Brown	Commercial	Bay Path Institute *Northeastern University
Barbara Baker	Science Literature—8	Trinity College for Women, B.S. *St. Joseph College *Fitchburg State Teachers

Name	Subject or Grade	Where Educated
John C. Trumbull	Social Studies	University of Mass., B.A.
Aaron C. Barnard	English 7-8	Plymouth Teachers' College, B.E. *Plymouth Teachers' College
Beryle M. Hammond	Home Economics English	University of New Hampshire, B.S. *University of Massachusetts
Marian C. Billings	School Nurse	Franklin County Public Hospital, R.N.
Jeannette L. Rich	Art Supervisor	Mass. School of Art, B.S. in Ed. *Booth Bay Summer School Springfield Conservatory of Music
Esther Galbraith	Music Supervisor	

*Attended without graduation

CENTER SCHOOL

Name	Subject or Grade	Where Educated
Dorothy T. Herrick	Principal Grade 4	Fitchburg Normal *University Extension
Ruth Bolton	Grade 1	Fitchburg Normal *University Extension

Name	Subject or Grade	Where Educated
Dorothea B. Holt	Grade 1	Keene Teachers' College *University of Vermont *University Extension *Springfield College
Virginia S. Haack	Grade 2	Stevens Institue Technology (Academy) *Leslie College Extension Course *Berlitz School of Language *Columbia University *University Extension *University of Maryland
Mary Lee Brady	Grade 2 & 3	Bridgewater State Teachers, B.S. in Ed.
Mary E. Dalton	Grade 3	Northfield Seminary *Massachusetts State Teachers' College *Hyannis Normal *University Extension
Evelyn H. Parker	Grade 5	North Adams State Teachers' College, B.S.
Harvey G. Cadwell	Grade 6	Bridgewater State Teachers' College, B.S. in Ed. *University of Massachusetts *Harvard *Yale *University of Manila

*Attended without graduation

SCHOOL CUSTODIANS

John Spindler

Part-Time Assistants
William Janes
John D. Ware

SCHOOL LUNCH

Mrs. Minnie Huber

Mrs. Ruth Johnson
Mrs. Jennie Wozniak

Mrs. Susie Hillock

SCHOOL COMMITTEE FINANCIAL REPORT

Item	Appropriation 1955	Expended 1955	Recommended 1956
Superintendent's Salary	$ 2,389.00	$ 2,353.71	$ 2,467.00
Out-of-State Travel	53.00	.....	35.00
Administration Expense	142.00	135.00	148.00
Clerk	893.00	892.47	939.00
Salaries, Teachers	58,350.00	59,186.28	65,373.00
Supervisor, Music	960.00	964.80	1,000.00
Supervisor, Art	712.00	712.00	792.00
Supervisor, Penmanship	500.00	450.00	500.00
Textbooks	1,000.00	1,073.20	1,000.00
Supplies, Student	1,500.00	1,276.90	1,500.00
Domestic Science	100.00	31.88	100.00
Supplies, Janitor	700.00	711.29	700.00
Salaries, Janitor	4,100.00	4,293.72	4,300.00
Sports Officials	100.00	162.19	150.00
Fuel	3,000.00	2,237.22	3,000.00
Water and Current	1,100.00	1,082.87	1,400.00
Repairs	500.00	1,198.91	500.00
New Equipment	500.00	712.78	500.00
Medical, Physician	300.00	300.00	400.00
Nurse	650.00	650.00	700.00
Tuition, Vocational	1,920.00	1,365.16	1,920.00
Transportation	16,650.00	16,517.23	17,525.00
Transportation, Vocational	2,100.00	1,752.89	2,100.00
Sundry Education	681.00	688.26	700.00
Special Project	1,000.00	1,150.00	1,000.00
Totals	$99,900.00	$99,898.66	$108,750.00

Returned to Town Treasury $1.34

State Aid and Net Cost of Education

Year	Total Expenditures	State Aid and Other Receipts	%	Net Cost of Education
1943	$ 35,494.34	$ 11,364.94	32	$ 24,129.40
1944	38,389.09	10,164.53	27	28,524.56
1945	41,091.11	10,545.66	26	30,545.45
1946	44,768.34	10,967.61	25	33,800.73
1947	57,711.99	19,561.29	33.9	38,150.70
1948	60,267.81	20,824.44	34.5	39,443.37
1949	68,938.71	28,504.23	41.3	40,479.48
1950	74,641.75	31,808.52	43.6	42,833.42
1951	82,123.95	32,881.28	40	49,242.67
1952	88,485.13	32,682.11	37	55,803.02

1953	92,534.77	34,669.64	37	57,865.13
1954	97,860.09	38,958.37	39.8	58,901.72
1955	99,898.66	39,553.74	39.6	60,344.92

Net Cost of Schools in 1955

Expenditures		$ 99,898.66
State of Massachusetts Reimbursements:		
Chapter 70 as amended 1948 Chapter 643	$ 17,647.48	
Vocational Tuition	972.40	
Transportation	13,934.45	
Vocational Transportation	936.35	
State Wards: Tuition and Transportation	3,317.33	
Supt.'s Salary and Travel	1,216.80	
Tuition: Town of Warwick	1,025.50	
Town of Erving	226.50	
Town of Vernon	221.25	
Mrs. Grace Smith	33.68	
Interest, School Surplus Fund	22.00	
Total		$ 39,553.74
1955 Net Cost of Education		$ 60,344.92
1954 Net Cost of Education		58,901.72
Net Increase		$ 1,443.20
Net Cost per pupil Fiscal Year 1952		$ 163.16
Net Cost per pupil Fiscal Year 1953		152.26
Net Cost per pupil Fiscal Year 1954		149.12
Net Cost per pupil Fiscal Year 1955		142.04

CENTER SCHOOL LUNCH ROOM

FINANCIAL REPORT

January 1, 1955 to December 31, 1955

Net Worth (Cash, Inventory, Claims)			$ 3,554.99
FINANCIAL STATEMENT:			
Cash Balance		$ 2,265.08	
Complete Lunch (Student)	$ 10,447.20		
Complete Lunch (Adult)	701.70		
Milk	372.01		
Government Reimbursement	5,188.66		
Miscellaneous	119.09		
Receipts		$ 16,828.66	
Total		$ 19,093.74	

DISBURSEMENTS:			
Food	$ 7,014.51		
Milk	4,827.76		
Salaries	3,868.50		
Other	2,396.57		
Total Disbursements		$ 18,107.34	
Cash Balance		$ 986.40	
Cash Balance	$ 986.40		
Inventory	507.34		
U.S.D.A. Claims (Nov.)	587.80		
(Dec.)	498.84		
Total Assets		$ 2,580.38	
Liabilities (Unpaid Bills)			
Com. of Mass.	$ 15.50		
General Baking Co.	90.00		
Total Liabilities		$ 105.50	
Net Worth			$ 2,474.88

Report on School Census
(October 1, 1955)

	Boys	Girls	Total
Between ages 0 and 5	99	121	220
Between ages 5 and 7	53	53	106
Between ages 7 and 14	142	144	206
Between ages 14 and 16	34	29	63
Total	328	347	675

Enrollment by Grades, October 1, 1955

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Boys	27	23	26	18	23	14	23	22	11	6	9	6
Girls	26	26	27	17	16	22	15	25	16	6	12	8
Total	53	49	53	35	39	36	38	47	27	12	21	14

Resident Enrollment by Schools

	Boys	Girls
Center School	131	134
High School	77	82
Greenfield Vocational	6	0
Greenfield Elementary	0	1

Mount Hermon School	12	0	
Northfield School for Girls	0	11	
Hebron Academy	1	0	
Deerfield Academy	1	0	
Goodwill Home	1	0	
Westminster Prep.—Conn.	1	0	
Brattleboro	2	0	
Hinsdale Kindergarten	1	0	
Total	233	228	
Grand Total			461

Report of High School Principal

To the Superintendent of Schools and School Committee:

I herewith submit my ninth annual report as Principal of Northfield High School.

Organization and Program

Several important changes have taken place in the personnel and program at Northfield High School during the present school year. Two regular teachers, Mrs. John Hammond and Mrs. Alexander Kozlowski resigned in June. Mrs. Hammond had served Northfield High School faithfully, conscientiously and well as social studies and Latin teacher for eight years. It was her expressed desire to spend more time at being a housewife than was possible while attending to the duties of teaching. Mrs. Kozlowski had served in the capacity of English teacher in grades seven and eight for six years. Her service was marked by a keen interest in each student and a cooperative attitude toward the school program. Mrs. Kozlowski resigned to devote more time in studying elementary school methods and subjects in preparation for teaching in that area. We thank both teachers for their past services and wish them good fortune in the future.

Three new teachers were secured in a reassignment of teaching duties. Mr. Aaron Barnard, who has had teaching experience in Tamworth, N. H., has taken over English subjects of grades seven and eight and the coaching of all girls' sports. Mr. John Trumbull, a recent graduate of the University of Massachusetts, has been assigned the social studies of grades seven and eight and world history. Mrs. Barbara Baker, formerly head of the biology department at Cushing Academy, has taken over all science teaching execpt for chemistry and physics. We expect that this reassignment of teaching duties will result in a more satisfactory teaching program.

Two new subjects have been added to the list of electives for the high school students. World History, which has not been taught for eight years, has proven to be a popular subject as thirteen students elected this course. Such a course gives us a well-rounded social studies program for our students. Due to the expressed desire of a few members of the senior class, who felt a need for additional preparation in the field of mathematics for their future college work, trigonometry has been added to the curriculum.

More time is now being devoted to the teaching of music in grades seven and eight. This has been made possible by the addition of the extra teacher. Mrs. Albert Raymond, music supervisor, resigned in June and her position has been taken by Mrs. Milo Galbraith. May I express my sincere thanks to Mrs. Raymond for her untiring efforts on behalf of the music program at Northfield High School for the past several years. We welcome Mrs. Galbraith and we sincerely hope that her duties at Northfield High School will be enjoyable ones.

Our chief administrative problem at Northfield High School is one of space accommodations. Our enrollment is still very high for the number of rooms and pupil stations available. Through the courtesy of the Alexander Hall committee, we have the use of the two rooms of Alexander Hall as classrooms. These two rooms do supply us with areas for conducting classes but, for the most part, they are not conducive to effective teaching and good learning, especially on cold days.

The subject enrollments in the high school at the present time are as follows:

English 9	27	Civics	27
English 10	11	World History	13
English 11	21	U. S. History	20
English 12	13	Problems of Democracy	13
Latin I	15	Home Economics I	9
Spanish II	4	Home Economics II	1
General Science	12	Typewriting I	12
Biology	13	Typewriting II	11
Chemistry	14	Shorthand I	9
General Math	9	Shorthand II	4
Algebra I	22	Bookkeeping I	7
Algebra II	9	Bookkeeping II	2
Trigonometry	3	Office Practice	5
Art	14		

Extra-Curricular Program

Our yearbook, "The Review," was awarded a first place rating for yearbooks of its type in schools of our size. This is, indeed, a great honor that we earned and is a tribute to the untiring efforts of Miss Dearstyne and members of the Press Club.

Again, this year, we have conducted our weekly broadcast of school news over station WHAI on Thursday mornings. We appreciate this courtesy offered us by Mrs. Miller and officials of WHAI. Much valuable experience and poise is gained by the many students who take advantage of this opportunity.

For the second year in a row, our high school was awarded the Recorder Gazette Trophy for the smaller schools of Franklin County because of its fine record in the three seasonal sports, its all around sports program for both boys and girls, good sportsmanship, and school spirit.

Much improvement has been made in the quality of our athletic teams during the past year. This is especially so in boys' basketball and soccer and girls' volleyball. Very fine records have been made in these two sports during the past fall and girls' softball last spring.

We offer our sincere thanks and appreciation to Miss Evelyn Lawley for coaching fall and spring sports for the past eleven years. In the field of softball during her eleven years as coach, her teams produced the enviable record of winning 74 of 85 games played. This record would be difficult to match in any school or any league. Her softball teams always won first place in the Border League and during eleven years of competition in that league her teams won 61 of 66 games played.

The following are some of the records of our extracurricular activities:

Good Government Day representative
Marie Clark

D.A.R. Good Citizen
Marie Clark

Annual Magazine Sales Drive
$1,823.65

Boys' sports (Border League)
Basketball—tied for first
Baseball—second
Soccer—first

Girls' sports (Border League)
Basketball—tied for third
Softball—first
Volleyball—first

It was my pleasure for the fifth consecutive year to organize the annual Washington and New York trip for the seniors of Northfield High and Powers Institute. Needless to say, this is an outstanding event in the lives of our graduating classes and one which should be continued for years to come.

Commencement Program

Baccalaureate Services were conducted at the Trinitarian Congregational Church on Sunday, June 5, by the Rev. Joseph W. Reeves, who delivered a fine address entitled "The Importance of You" to the twelve members of the graduating class, a fine audience of parents, classmates, friends and regular attendants.

A Class Night program was presented at the Northfield Town Hall on Wednesday evening, June 15, to interested friends, students and parents.

The graduation program was presented at the Town Hall on Thursday, June 16, 1955, at 8:00 p.m. as follows:

Processional—"War March of the Priests"	Mendelssohn
Flag Salute	Audience
National Anthem	Audience
Invocation	Rev. Joseph Reeves
Welcome	John Mankowsky
Honor Essay	Marie Clark
Honor Essay	Geraldine Durant
Music—"Salutation"	Gaines
"One World"	O'Hara
Announcement of Awards	Principal George M. Leonard
Commencement Address	
"Make Sure You're Right—Then Go Ahead"	Rev. James R. Whyte
Presentation of Diplomas	Superintendent F. Sumner Turner
Class Song—"Senior Song 1932"	Graduates
Words by Myron Johnson	
School Song—"Our Old High"	All students and Alumni
Benediction	Rev. William Lee
Recessional—"Pomp and Circumstance"	Elgar

Music under the direction of Mrs. Albert Raymond

CLASS ROLL

With Honor — Marie Lafy Clark

Shirley May Clough	John Jerome Mankowsky
Irene Mae Doolittle	June May Moore
Geraldine May Durant	Norman Alvin Porter
Charles Martin Janes	Janice Ella Randall
Paul George Jordan, Jr.	Joyce Marie Shattuck

Alice Ethel Wood

The following awards were made at graduation time:

D.A.R. Good Citizen Award	Marie Clark
Bausch & Lomb Award for excellence in Science	Marie Clark

Pro Merito Certificate	Marie Clark
Readers Digest Award	Marie Clark
P.T.A. Scholarship	Marie Clark

Financial

The following is a statement of Northfield High School funds for the year 1955.

NORTHFIELD HIGH SCHOOL — SCHOOL FUNDS

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

January 1, 1955 — December 31, 1955

Class of 1955	$ 892.44	$ 933.76	$1,826.20	.....
Class of 1956	445.61	1,219.80	470.61	$1,194.80
Class of 1957	75.66	423.50	116.73	382.43
Class of 1958	.....	.70	.....	.70
Class of 1959	.....	10.00	.....	10.00
Class of 1960	.....	10.00	.....	10.00
Press Club	239.65	1,032.84	985.86	286.63
Glee Club	201.78	91.75	83.26	210.27
Student Council Funds	1,072.87	2,658.78	2,912.14	819.51
Totals	$2,928.01	$6,381.13	$6,394.80	$2,914.34

Northfield High School Athletic Fund

Balance on hand January 1, 1955		$137.10	
Receipts:			
Admissions to games	$395.50		
Donations	16.00		
Total		411.50	$548.60
Expenses:			
Officials	$202.00		
Cleaning Uniforms	34.15		
Transportation	170.00		
Athletic Supplies	46.02		
Total			$452.17
Balance on hand December 31, 1955			$ 96.43
Bills Outstanding			$128.15

Items to Ponder

During the past few years increasing numbers of our graduates have been accepted on their high school record alone into four year colleges and some have gained admission by examinations. At the present time, nine of our students are registered in four year colleges. All are doing fine work. Many more than this number are attending or have attended schools of nursing and agriculture, or commercial colleges.

Of last year's graduating class of twelve members three are now attending four year colleges - two at Northeastern University and one at the University of Massachusetts; two have entered the armed services; two are married; and five have employment. Indications point to the fact that of the thirteen members of the present senior class who will graduate in June of 1956, eleven plan to continue their education beyond high school. Of these eleven, six are planning to enroll at four year colleges.

Recently, a nationwide test was conducted by the National Merit Scholarship Program. This test was given to the outstanding members of the senior classes throughout the United States. Sixty thousand of the best in the country were given a screening test. Practically all the high schools in Franklin County participated. One of our seniors, Andrew Sheldon, was the only public school senior in Franklin County to survive this screening test. His record shows him to be in the top 1% of the seniors in the country. He will take an additional test early in January to determine the possibility of his gaining a full four year scholarship in the college of his choice.

Each parent can do much to inspire his children to greater heights by taking an interest in their school work, providing them with the necessary time and facilities for doing their school work, and aiding them in determining what their future goals will be. Many students have risen to great heights because their parents have given them the inspiration, guidance, and support they needed while they were attending high school. Won't you do what you can to help your child set his aims high and then accomplish them?

May I take this opportunity to extend my personal thanks to Mr. Turner, the members of the school committee, teachers, students, parents and friends for their continued support and helpful cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE M. LEONARD, Principal

Report of Center School Principal

To the Superintendent of Schools:

I herewith submit my ninth annual report for the Center School.

Our enrollment reached a new high of two hundred seventy-seven pupils this fall which put every available desk to use and left no unused space in any classroom. Added room for supplies was attained by widening the shelves in the supply closet.

The schedule of redecorating the classrooms has now been completed and attention is being given to the main corridor and remodeling of the lunchroom.

Some group participation was made possible when on stormy noon hours the pupils in the upstairs rooms gathered in the corridor for the singing of familiar songs. The lunch program has grown to such extent that the lunchroom is not available for use as an auditorium but our attendance is such that it would not be large enough for all.

Two changes in the teaching staff occurred when Mr. Hugh Hayden, sixth grade teacher, accepted a position as principal in the Elementary School in Bernardston, and Mrs. Rae Janson, second grade teacher, resigned to teach in Keene. These vacancies were filled by Mr. Harvey G. Cadwell and Mrs. Mary Lee Brady.

National Education Week brought many parents and friends to visit, both during regular school hours, and at "Open House" which was again held in conjunction with the PTA supper and meeting.

The dental program is still being continued under the supervision of Mrs. Marian Billings, school nurse. Results reported to Miss Genevieve Ely of the state department last June were 67% of the 239 enrolled (in September of 1954) returned certificates denoting dental work completed. An additional 2% were still under treatment as school closed for summer vacation.

Northfield was well represented in the list of awards following the milk poster contest sponsored by Station WHAI in Greenfield. Henry Prescott of grade four was the grand winner.

As usual we renew our standing invitation to parents and adult friends to visit our classrooms during regular school hours.

Again I wish to thank Mr. Turner, the School Committee, Mrs. Jean Smead, my co-workers, and the parents and friends of our pupils for their cooperation and interest in the Center School.

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY T. HERRICK

MUSIC SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Since September, I have enjoyed my teaching in the Northfield schools. There is splendid cooperation of all faculty members, and I look forward with enthusiasm to the coming year.

The grades enjoyed a Christmas program at the Town Hall, giving all grades a chance to sing carols together as well as to perform individually.

The Glee Club is a large and enthusiastic group, numbering approximately fifty. They enjoyed singing at the Christmas party, and now are making plans for their operetta and further activities.

ESTHER S. GALBRAITH
Supervisor of Music

ART SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

To the Superintendent of Schools and the School Committee:

I herewith submit my report as Art Supervisor.

The Art program, during this past year, has been increasingly directed toward the development of the skills and the originality of the child in expressing graphically his reaction to studies or current interests in his environment—in a manner satisfactory to the individual at each age level.

The lower grades, we are happy to report, in several schools, have created large murals as an integration with the social or other studies.

The upper grades have entered into several poster projects.

To those classes entering, the "Kindness To Animals" poster contest brought satisfactory results.

In the "Milk Poster" Contest sponsored by Station WHAI and open to all the schools in Franklin County, the results were very gratifying. The pupils of Northfield Union won most of the major prizes in the primary and intermediate classifications as well as many honorable mentions. The Grand Prize for best poster in the contest went to a boy at Center School in Northfield.

During Book Week, posters were on display by pupils of grades 7 and 8 and the High School group of Northfield High School at the Dickinson Memorial Library.

The High School group painted the scenery for the operetta at the Town Hall. The group also sketched material for the Year Book. We feel that projects of this type should increasingly be promoted as a part of the High School Art work.

The Christmas window decorations throughout the Union were religious in theme.

We feel that the continued fine cooperation of the teachers is making the drawing program become each year a stronger force in the daily lives of the boys and girls of the Northfield Union.

Respectfully submitted,

JEANETTE L. RICH

SCHOOL NURSE'S REPORT

To the Superintendent of Schools and the School Committee of the Town of Northfield:

I herewith submit my second annual report as school nurse.

Of the 430 students enrolled in our Public Schools slightly over 2% were found to have hearing losses and over 11% failed the Mass. Vision Test. The latter showed a marked increase in defects over previous years. All pupils failing either test were given notices to that effect.

Thirty-four children were examined by Dr. Dean at the Pre-school round up in June. All other first graders were seen either at school or by family physicians.

As usual, in September, all pupils in grade 1 (as mentioned above), 4, 7, 10 and those involved in competitive sports were examined by our school physician, Dr. Dean. Only minor defects were found and notices sent to all parents.

A new program on Personal Hygiene was carried out in grades five and six this fall and will be extended to include 7th and 8th grade girls early in the new year.

A routine inspection of all grades in Center School was made on two different occasions, to detect any pediculosis, and none was found. Grade five students were instructed in proper mouth hygiene and an inspection of all students in that grade was also made.

The eighth grade was added to our dental program this year. Many dental delinquents have had work completed through the courtesy of the Kiwanis Club and the Franklin County Dental Clinic.

One polio vaccination clinic was held, in June, with sixty-nine children receiving the vaccine. No reactions were reported. Dr. Dean injected the vaccine, assisted by your school nurse and members of the Fortnightly.

During the winter of '55 the playground became hazardous due to a coating of ice, and we had many minor injuries.

In conclusion I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Fortnightly for the aid given the School Nurse in weighing and measuring of students and clinic work. I also wish to express appreciation for the cooperation of school officials and teachers.

Respectfully submitted,

MARIAN BILLINGS
School Nurse

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN'S REPORT

I am glad to report that this has been a healthy year as regards the health of the school children, and that the activities of the school physician have been essentially routine. There have been fewer cases of contagious disease than usual and less bother with cards for returning to school. There have been a few cases of minor accidents at school, chiefly in the playground or during games.

The routine examination of the pupils began with the pre-school examination of the prospective first graders in June at which time the parent came with the child and his history, weight and measurements were recorded prior to the physical examination. In September and October the remaining first graders, new students, and students in the fourth, seventh and tenth grades were examined, as well as all students in high school who participate in athletic games. It should be stated that fewer defects than usual were found at these examinations this year.

The one big exception to routine business this year was the administration of poliomyelitis vaccine to 65 first and second graders on June first at a special clinic at school. Only the first shot was given, though it had been expected that a second shot would be given, at least in the fall, but the Massachusetts committee on polio refused to give approval. There is at present some difference of opinion as to the best procedure, but those children who wish the best protection against polio should have 2 shots by next June, and better three. It looks now as if this would have to be done privately.

I wish to thank our new school nurse, Mrs. Marian Billings, and the teachers for their cooperation this year.

Respectfully submitted,

F. WILTON DEAN, M. D.
School Physician

Report on Athletic Field

Appropriation		$400.00
Expenditures:		
Labor:		
Walter Shaw	$18.13	
William Janes	40.00	
John Ware	98.00	
		$156.13
Supplies:		
Melvin Miller	$56.00	
Spencer's Garage	4.48	
J. L. Dunnell	5.50	
Hamilton Cregar	26.53	
Smead Lumber Co.	2.94	
		95.45
Repairs:		
Morgan Garage	$11.56	
		11.56
Total Expenditures		$263.14
Balance		$136.86

The Committee would like to ask for the same appropriation as last year—$400.00 ($200.00 for maintenance and $200.00 for improvements).

Respectfully submitted,

Northfield School Committee

ROY FISH, Chairman
I. J. LAWRENCE, Secretary
EVELYN TRUE

PIONEER VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE REPORT

To the Citizens of Bernardston, Northfield, and Warwick:

The past year has been extremely busy and successful for the Pioneer Valley Regional School District Committee.

The Committee was organized as follows: Mr. Wendell Streeter, Chairman; Mr. Albert H. Stoddard, Jr., Vice Chairman; Mr. Howard King, Treasurer; Mrs. Jean Smead, Secretary; Mr. F. Sumner Turner, Superintendent.

During the year, forty-one regular meetings have been held together with numerous meetings of sub-committees and field trips. All meetings have been open to the public and press and the committee wishes to thank those who did find time to attend. This is a tremendously large project and the more people who are completely informed about it, the better the school will be.

After the qualifications of thirty-four architects were studied and eleven were interviewed by the entire committee, The Architects Collaborative, 96 Mount Auburn Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts, were chosen as architects. Mr. Robert McMillan was to be in charge.

The following broad educational specifications were agreed upon and approved by the School Building Assistance Commission: College, Commercial, General, Home Making, Industrial Arts, and Vocational Agriculture.

A driven well giving 42 gallons per minute of fine quality water was located on the property.

All the necessary steps and approvals were obtained from all the approving commissions and plans were put out to bid. The total cost of the project was determined at $1,440,000. On December 12, 19, and 20, the towns of Northfield, Warwick, and Bernardston, respectively, voted not to disapprove the incurring of $1,350,000. debt by the District. In these meetings, a negative vote was necessary to record approval. The votes were: Northfield, Yes 121, No 221; Warwick, Yes 11, No 38; and Bernardston, Yes 11, No 105.

On December 30, 1955, a contract for the complete building and grounds was signed with Neri Construction Company of Millbury, Mass. This building is to be finished not later than September 1,

1957. The building contract was $1,243,317.00. At the time of the town meetings the committee attempted to distribute to every voter a copy of a brochure completely describing the building and costs. There are still a few available and may be obtained at the Office of the Superintendent of Schools.

The following Budgets have been adopted by the Committee. According to the agreement, hearings were held in the several towns on or before November 15, 1954 and the final budget registered by the treasurer with the several town treasurers on December 31, 1955.

OPERATIONAL BUDGET

Treasurer, Salary		$ 500.00
Expenses	$ 50.00	
Surety Bond	400.00	
Supplies	25.00	
		475.00
Secretary, Salary		500.00
Committee Expenses		
Travel	$ 150.00	
Telephone	200.00	
Postage	125.00	
		475.00
Legal Counsel		250.00
Office Supplies and Miscellaneous		200.00
		$ 2,400.00
Bernardston's Share	$ 729.60	
Northfield's Share	1,308.00	
Warwick's Share	362.40	
	$ 2,400.00	

CAPITAL BUDGET

Maturing debt due May 1956		$ 5,000.00
Interest on Debt:		
$90,000 loan issued May 1955		$ 1,925.00
$1,350,000 loan		16,875.00
Cost of Issuing Bonds $1,350,000		4,050.00
		$ 27,850.00
Bernardston's Share	$ 8,577.80	
Northfield's Share	16,069.45	
Warwick's Share	3,202.75	
	$ 27,850.00	

The Committee appreciates the help given by so many people in all towns to make possible the achievements thus far. The Committee realizes the tremendous tasks yet to be solved, namely: To supervise the completion of the building and grounds, to define the program and offerings of the school, to select and organize a staff of teachers and supervisors competent to achieve the aims and expectations of this school, and to provide a firm basis for the operation of the school from year to year.

The Committee welcomes any suggestions or help in the solving their many problems. Meetings are open to the public and are generally held on Thursday evenings. The meetings are rotated from town to town and notice is given in the newspaper and by radio.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Wendell E. Streeter, Chairman
Mr. Robert P. Barnes
Mrs. Emily L. Benoit
Mr. Paul J. Donaldson
Mr. J. Norman Durkee
Mr. Irving H. Lawrence
Mr. Walla M. Stearns
Mr. Albert H. Stoddard, Jr.
Mrs. Anna M. Wilcox

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Report of the Treasurer

January 1, 1955 to December 31, 1955

RECEIPTS

Proceeds of $25,000 Pioneer Valley Regional School District 1% Note in anticipation of Bond Issue dated April 15, 1955 and due May 15, 1955		$ 25,000.00
Proceeds of $90,000 Pioneer Valley Regional School District 2.2% School Bonds dated May 1, 1955 and due $5,000 each May 1, 1956/73		90,000.00
Premium on above bonds @ .199		179.10
Assessments received from towns:		
Bernardston	$959.12	
Northfield	1,767.93	
Warwick	397.97	
		3,125.02

Received from rental of land		150.00
Accrued interest received		13.30
Proceeds of $50,000 U. S. Treasury Bills maturing September 15, 1955		
Cost on June 20, 1955	$ 49,824.79	
Interest received	175.21	
		50,000.00
		$168,467.42

DISBURSEMENTS

Purchase of 83.172 acres of land for school site		$ 18,000.00
Payment of $25,000 Pioneer Valley Regional School District 1% Note in anticipation of Bond Issue		25,000.00
Purchase of $50,000 U. S. Treasury Bills due September 15, 1955 @ 99.649583 net		49,824.79
Planning Budget		
Architect's planning fees and expenses	$ 68,074.56	
Engineering fees	709.00	
Borings	1,517.88	
Tests—chemical and mechanical	155.60	
Topographical survey	1,101.78	
Advertising proposal for bids	96.19	
		71,655.01
Capital Budget		
Interest on maturing debt	$ 990.00	
Travel of Committee	150.22	
Cost of land taking	121.20	
Cost of counsel	85.83	
Cost of preparation of Bond Issue	394.39	
		1,741.64
Operating Budget		
Telephone	$ 171.11	
Accrued interest paid	74.83	
Surety Bond premium, Treasurer	60.00	
Salaries and travel of Secretary and Treasurer	810.00	
Office supplies	85.81	
Postage	47.15	
Printing	461.33	
Miscellaneous	56.93	
		1,767.16
Balance on hand December 31, 1955		478.82
		$168,467.42

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD A. KING, Treasurer

TOWN WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

FRANKLIN, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Northfield in the County of Franklin, *Greeting*:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Northfield on Monday the sixth day of February next, at ten o'clock in the A. M., then and there to bring in their votes by ballot for the following officers for the coming year:

> Town Clerk, Town Treasurer for one year, one Selectman for three years, one Assessor for three years, Town Moderator for one year, one School Committee Member for three years, one Cemetery Commissioner for three years, two Library Trustees for three years, Tree Warden for one year, Tax Collector for one year, three Constables for one year, one Constable for one year, a resident of Northfield Farms, one member of the Planning Board for five years, and one member of the Planning Board for two years.

The polls will open at ten A.M. and close at eight P.M.

And you are directed also to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Northfield, qualified to vote in Town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, February 7th, 1956, at seven o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1. To hear the reports of the several Town Officers, and act thereon.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1956, and to issue a note or notes thereof, payable within one year, and to renew such notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chap-

ter 44, General Laws; any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1956.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to empower the Selectmen to defend the Town in any suit brought against the Town, or act thereon.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $150.00 for the use of the Library at Northfield Farms, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $150.00

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used by the Tree Warden in the care and preservation of shade trees, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $600.00

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for lighting the streets, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $5,346.00

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for tools for highway work, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $200.00

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41, General Laws, as amended, or act thereon.

Selectmen and Welfare Boards:		
Chairman of Board	$325	$75
Second Member	325	75
Third Member	325	75
Assessors:		
First Member	$300	
Second Member	300	
Third Member	300	
Town Moderator	$ 25	
Treasurer	900	
Tax Collector	750	
Town Clerk	500	
School Committee:		
Chairman	$100	
Second Member	100	
Third Member	100	

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as shall be necessary for salaries and other Town Charges, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends

Selectmen's & Welfare Board Salary	$ 1,200	Old Age Assistance	38,000
Selectmen's Exp. a/c	250	Aid to Dependent Children	6,000
Assessors' Salary	900	General Relief	3,000
Assessors' Exp. a/c	225	Disability Assistance	3,000
Treasurer's Salary	900	Public Welfare Adm.	3,000
Treasurer's Exp. a/c.	400	Soldier's Relief	3,500
Tax Collector's Salary	750	Machinery Maintenance acct. (Tr. from Rd. Mach. Fund)	3,000
Tax Collector's Exp. a/c	500	Bridges	3,000
Town Clerk's Salary	500	Election & Registrations	2,000
Town Clerk's Exp. a/c	80	Fire & Casualty Ins.	5,300
School Committee Salary	300	Interest Account	200
Town Moderator's Salary	25	Town Hall Care	5,000
Town Accountant's Salary	950	Legal Expense	250
Town Accountant's Exp. a/c	75	Damages	200
Sealer Weights & Meas.	150	Town Clock & Fountain	150
Sealer's Exp. a/c	25	Town Reports	900
Inspection of Animals	175	Snow Removal	6,500
Dog Officer and Exp.	150	Public Safety	25
Inspection of Meat & Slaughtering	50	Protection Tax Title Property	25
Public Health	1,300	Highway Bounds, Surveys and Plans	250
Schools	108,750	Wire Inspector & Exp.	50
Fire Department	2,500	Fire Station Bonds Maturing Debt	3,000
Maintenance Water Holes	400	Interest	1,332
P. V. Regional School Operating Budget	1,308		
Capital Budget	16,069.45		
Alexander Hall	$ 250		

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $5,800.00 for the operation of the Dickinson Memorial Library, this sum to include the fines collected, and the dog tax, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $5,800.00

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in the extermination of the Gypsy Moth, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $400.00

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used by the Gypsy Moth Agent for the removal of dead wood and spraying of the

Town Elms, to combat Dutch Elm Disease, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $1,800.00

Article 13. To see if the Town will authorize the Assessors to appoint one of their members as Clerk of the Board, and that the salary be $500.00 in accordance with Section 4a, Chapter 41, General Laws, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

The Finance Committee recommend $500.00

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the salary of a Public Health Nurse, and substitute Nurse, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $2,800.00

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the Public Health Nurse's expense account, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $75.00

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in trading the Public Health Nurse's car, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $1,600.00

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the expense of the Public Health Nurse's car, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $350.00

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $50.00 to be expended by the American Legion for Veterans' Markers, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $50.00

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the care and preservation of cemeteries, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $1,790.00

Article 20. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to enter in contract with the Board of Public

Works, Division of Highways, for repair and improvement of roads and highways exclusive of state highways, and raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated, available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 81 Highways, or take any action in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend to raise and appropriate $4,875.00 and to transfer $17,875.00 from unappropriated available funds

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway construction, or take any action relative thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend to raise and appropriate $3,000.00 and to transfer $9,000.00 from unappropriated available funds

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 maintenance, or take any action in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend to raise and appropriate $1,000.00 and to transfer $2,000.00 from unappropriated available funds

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, the sum of $2,000.00 for improvement of East Street, Adams Road and Gerrish Road, or take any action relative thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend $2,000.00

Article 24. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for highway work, to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend $2,000.00

Article 25. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in putting up railing, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend $900.00

Article 26. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to repair sidewalks, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $1,000.00

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to provide suitable drainage on the east side of the West Northfield Road near the former Corser property to the South Vernon Post Office, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee makes no recommendation at this time

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to go on record, by resolution or otherwise, as favoring a non-partisan citizens caucus as the means of selecting candidates for election to Town Offices, or act thereon.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Road Machinery Fund the sum of $1,750.00 to purchase a snow plow and sander, or take any vote or votes relative thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend $1,750.00

Article 30. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the care, maintenance and improvement of the Fire Station and Town Garage, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend $1,000.00

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of constructing a drainage ditch extending from Warwick Avenue across Maple Street to a swamp, or take any action thereon.

The Finance Committee makes no recommendation at this time.

Article 32. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in making repairs on discontinued school buildings, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $250.00

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to dispose of the School House in District #6, or take any action thereon.

Article 34. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for hydrant service for sixteen hydrants to be paid to the Northfield Water Co. for adequate water to supply the hydrants for fire protection, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $400.00

Article 35. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of $200.00 to be used to purchase fish to be liberated in streams in the Town of Northfield, under the supervision of the Selectmen, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $200.00

Article 36. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to install a street light on North Lane near the residence of Mrs. Anderson at the junction of Rustic Ridge, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend $24.00

Article 37. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to meet foreclosure cost on tax titles, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $300.00

Article 38. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the care of the playground and athletic field, this sum to be expended under the supervision of the School Committee, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend $200.00 for maintenance and $200.00 for improvement

Article 39. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for Civil Defense purposes, the same to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen and the Civil Defense Committee, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $100.00

Article 40. To see if the Town will vote to accept Highland Circuit as laid out by the Selectmen, dated December 22d, 1955, and filed with the Town Clerk, and to raise and to appropriate any sum of money to use for the same, or take any action thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $300.00

Article 41. Shall Chapter Thirty-two of the General Laws, authorizing any county, city, town or district to provide a plan of group life insurance, group accidental death and dismemberment insurance, and group general or blanket hospital, surgical and medical insurance for certain persons in the service of such county, city, town or district and their dependents, be accepted by this Town?

The Finance Committee recommend further study

Article 42. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,000.00 for Group Life and Accident Insurance for Town Employees as permitted by Article 41, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee does not recommend

Article 43. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be expended under the direction of the Northfield Post of the American Legion and the Northfield Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars for the purpose of celebrating Memorial Day, or take any action thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $275.00

Article 44. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to maintain state-aided vocational education in accordance with the provisions of Section 14 of Chapter 74, General Laws, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $700.00

Article 45. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,000.00 for the Fire Department to use to purchase hose and miscellaneous equipment, or take any action thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $2,000.00

Article 46. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for Constables' pay and expense, or take any action thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $750.00

Article 47. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for Constables' equipment, or take any action thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $100.00

Article 48. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay the Town's share of the expense of relocating the #2 Bound on the Northfield-Erving Town Line, and the #10 Bound on the Northfield-Gill Town Line, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $225.00

Article 49. To see if the Town will vote to accept the sum of $150.00 from the estate of Jennie L. Bascom as a trust fund, the interest thereof payable to the Treasurer, to be used for perpetual care of her lot in the Northfield Farms Cemetery.

Article 50. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in conjunction with repairs to the steeple of the Unitarian Church, (the repairs require moving the Town Clock and the case for same, which are the property of the Town) or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee makes no recommendation at this time.

Article 51. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $850.00 to be expended under the direction of the Alexander Hall Committee for the installation of a Ladies Rest Room in Alexander Hall, or take any vote or votes relative thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend $850.00

Article 52. To hear the report of the Committee appointed by the Moderator under Article 49 of the annual Town Meeting, February 7, 1955, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 53. To see if the Town will vote to change the date of the Annual Town Election to be the first Monday of March in each year; and the date of the Annual Town Meeting to be the first Tuesday after the first Monday of March in each year, or take any vote or votes relative thereto.

Article 54. To see if the Town will vote to change any location for posting Town Meeting Warrants or take any action thereon.

Article 55. To hear the report of the War Memorial Committee and act thereon.

Article 56. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury, the sum of $150.00 to provide and install equipment for flood-lighting the War Memorial, said sum to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee do not recommend

Article 57. To hear the report of the Honor Roll Committee and act thereon.

Article 58. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate $500.00 to purchase curtains for the Town Hall, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $500.00

Article 59. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to be expended by the Selectmen to insulate the ceiling of the Town Hall and provide ventilators, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee makes no recommendation at this time.

Article 60. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the appointment of a committee by the moderator, for the purpose of studying the advisability or need of a revaluation of the property in the Town of Northfield, or act thereon.

Article 61. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or transfer a sum of money from Overlay Reserve, for a reserve fund for the current year, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend $5,000.00

Article 62. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from Surplus Revenue, to be used by the Assessors in determining the 1956 Tax Rate, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $10,000.00

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at the Post Offices in Northfield, East Northfield, West Northfield, at the School House in

District No. 6, and the Tenney Farms Filling Station at Northfield Farms in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this twentieth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-six.

WILLIAM M. MARSHALL,
ROBERT P. BARNES,
WALLACE E. STANGE,
Selectmen of Northfield.

A true copy. Attest:
JOSEPH G. MORGAN, Constable

Facts About Northfield

Incorporated	1714
Population	2,239 (1955)
Form of Government	Town Meeting
Tax Rate	$60.00
Number of Dwellings	700
Real Estate Valuation	$1,883,322.00
Personal Property	$298,655.00
Public Schools	Elementary School High School
Private Schools	The Northfield School for Girls
Fire Protection	Three Fire Engines
Town Highways	67 Miles
Public Libraries	Dickinson Memorial Northfield Farms
Altitude	309 ft. (at Town Hall)
Rail Roads	Boston & Maine Central Vermont
Water Supply	East Northfield Water Co. Northfield Water Co.

Important Information

FIRST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

EIGHTH COUNCILLOR DISTRICT

FRANKLIN-HAMPSHIRE SENATORIAL DISTRICT

UNITED STATES SENATORS

Leverett Saltonstall — John B. Kennedy

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS

John W. Heselton

GOVERNOR
Christian A. Herter

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR
Sumner G. Whittier

COUNCILLOR
Bruce Crane

STATE SENATOR
Ralph Mahar

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT

Philip F. Whitmore

FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Carlos Allen, Chairman

Frank Reed — Harry Koch